

During Reading Strategies



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- What?
- Would?
- When?
- Why?
- How?
- What if?



Clarify

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- **chunking** – Think about parts of the words that you already know.
- **sound it out** – What does each letter sound like?
- **guess the covered word** – Cover up the tricky word. What word do you know that would make sense in the sentence? Does the word you chose have the same beginning or ending sound?
- **rhyming pattern** – Do you know another word that rhymes with this word?
- **little words in big words** – Look for a word that you know in the word. Example: In the word "atmosphere," you can see the word "at" and "sphere".
- **reread** – Make sure you reread the part you were confused about when you have figured out the word!



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Connections help us to remember what we have read, enjoy what we are reading, and figure out things that might be confusing.

There are three types of connections:

- **text-to-self** – Reminds you of something that has happened to you or someone you know.
- **text-to-text** – Reminds you of something you read in a book, magazine, or newspaper.
- **text-to-world** – Reminds you of something you have learned that is a fact – from the news or a t.v. show that gives you information (like Animal Planet or The Discovery Channel).

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