

Strategies we use to help us understand what we are reading



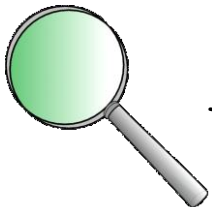
Background knowledge



Make predictions



Visualise



Think like a detective



Notice when we are stuck...and find ways to solve it



Pick out important words

Questions we can ask to encourage these skills...

*Have you heard/ seen this before?
Where?
Do you remember a time when...?
How did you feel when...?*

*I wonder what will happen if...?
What could happen next?
Can you make a clever guess?
Do you think the character will...?*

*Can you make a picture of this in your head?
What does your picture look like?
Can you describe...?*

*What clues can you see in the picture?
What has happened before to give us clues?
How do you know that...?*

*Can you sound this word out?
Have you heard it before?
What clues does the sentence give us?
Are there any clues in the pictures?*

*Does this give us important information?
Can we link this to other words?*