

Helping your child with Reading Comprehension



Your child will find evidence directly from the text to answer these kinds of questions?

The answer is in the text

Type of question	Example
What did ...do?	What did the bear do?
How many...were there?	How many people were on the bus?
Who are...?	Who are the brave characters in this story?
What happened at the...	What happened at the beginning/middle/end?
Where did...go?	Where did Peter go?
Where are...?	Where are the main places you can see the superheroes?

Can your child think and search for the answer?

The answers are found in different parts of the story. They might have to apply prior knowledge or personal experience to an answer.

Type of question	Example
How did...	How did Armin know the others have reached safety?
What happened when...	What happened when the giant came back?
What do you think might happen next?	
What did the...do?	What did the bear do?
What does the word...imply about...?	What does the word 'plush' imply about the owner of the house?
When did...happen?	When did the thunderstorm happen?

Can you child answer these questions without referring to the story?

The answer is not in the story, it is your child's opinion and thoughts.

Type of question	Example
How do you feel...? Why?	How do you feel about the ending of this book? Why?
Why do you think...?	Why do you think the author used this simile?
In what ways....like...?	In what ways is Superkid like a Superhero?
Do you agree with...? Why?	Do you agree with the way the author portrayed the character of Dave in this story? Why?
In your opinion...	In your opinion did Yasmin make the right choice in this story?
How do you feel about...?	How do you feel about where the author choose to set this story?