

1) Look at the title of the book. Make a **PREDICTION** about what you think will happen in the story. Was your prediction right? Which part of the text tells you?

2) Look at how the book is organised. Is it a non-fiction book with a table of contents, sections, headings, bold words, photographs and captions? Is it a fiction book with a main character who has to solve a problem?

3) Make a **TEXT TO SELF** connection to something that happened in the story. Connect the event in the story to something that has happened in your own life.

4) Make a **TEXT TO TEXT** connection to something that happened in the story. Connect the event in the story to something that has happened in another book you have read.

5) Make a **TEXT TO WORLD** connection to something that happened in the story. Connect the event in the story to something that has happened in the news or other media.

6) Pick 3 or 4 words from the reading that were new, challenging or interesting. Find the meanings of the words.

7) **VISUALISE** what is happening in the story. As you read, you should have a film playing in your head of the key events. Describe the "film" that you can see.

8) Think about your **REACTION** to this reading. Does it make you feel angry, happy, sad or worried about the characters? **Why?**

9) Give your **OPINION** to the reading so far. What was your favourite part? **Why?** What was your least favourite part? **Why?**

10) Think of an interesting **QUESTION** that you could ask your classmates about this part of the reading that would help them to discuss what has happened in the text.

11) Pretend that you could ask the author any question you like about the book. What question would you ask? What do you think the author's answer would be?

12) Act out your favourite scene from the book. What would the characters say? How would they talk, stand or speak to one another? What would their body language be?

13) Summarise the story using a **FIVE FINGER SUMMARY**. **WHO** were the main characters? **WHERE** did the story take place? **WHEN** did the story take place? **WHAT** went wrong? **HOW** did they solve the problem?

14) Which character in the story would you most like to be friends with? **Why?** What is an interesting fact that you have learned when reading this book?

15) Use 5 interesting words to describe the setting (where and when the story took place).

16) Think of another book you have read that has a similar theme. What is the story? How are the books similar?