







Think Aloud Sentence Stems to use During Reading

Strategy	Sentence Stems
<p>Activating Background Knowledge and Make Connections</p> 	<p>I have seen ___ when...</p> <p>I have experienced this when...</p> <p>This reminds me of the time I...</p> <p>This makes me think about...</p> <p>This relates to my life by...</p>
<p>Questioning</p> 	<p>Why did...</p> <p>What did...</p> <p>How did...</p> <p>Where was...</p> <p>Should there...</p> <p>How do I feel about what ___ just did?</p> <p>I wonder if...</p> <p>I wonder why...</p>
<p>Creating Mental Images</p> 	<p>I see...</p> <p>I picture...</p> <p>I can hear...</p> <p>I can smell...</p> <p>I am imagining...</p> <p>The word ___ reminds me of...</p>
<p>Drawing Inferences</p> 	<p>It does not say ___, but I think ___ is true because the text says...</p> <p>The story never mentions ___ but I believe ___ because the story says...</p> <p>I can tell that ___ because the text says...</p> <p>The text says ___ which must mean...</p> <p>I predict...</p>
<p>Repairing Understanding when Meaning Breaks Down</p> 	<p>I got confused when...</p> <p>I'm not sure of...</p> <p>I didn't expect...</p> <p>I didn't understand it when the book said ___ so I had to ___ in order to understand.</p>
<p>Summarizing and Determining Importance</p> 	<p>I think this is mainly about...</p> <p>What I learned from this story is...</p> <p>Some facts I learned are...</p> <p>The most important idea is...</p> <p>This is not an important event because...</p> <p>At the end of the story, the character learned ___ because...</p>