All Good Readers Respond To What They Read

1. Good readers know they like and dislike:

***“I like the part when… because… but I dislike the part about… because…”***

1. Good readers make connections to other stories:

***“This reminds me of another story that I read… because…”***

1. Good readers make connections to their own lives:

***“This makes me think about the time that I…because…”***

1. Good readers think about the characters:

***“I like the character of … because…”***

1. Good readers appreciate good stories:

***“My favorite part is when…because…”***

1. Good readers make predictions about the story:

***“I think that … will happen next because…”***

1. Good readers make inferences about the story:

***“I think this character is angry because…”***

***“I think this character is jealous because…”***

1. Good readers consider problems and solutions:

***“I like the solution to X’s problem because…”***

***“If I were X, I would solve the problem differently…because…”***

1. Good readers reflect on (think about) the ending:

***“I like the way the chapter ends because…”***

***“ I dislike the ending of the story because…”***

1. Good readers learn new information:

***“I learned…when I read the part about…”***

1. Good readers reflect on characters’ actions by agreeing or disagreeing with what they do:

***“I think that X should not have done…because…”***

***“I think X did a smart thing…because…”***

1. What is the most important idea in the story so far? How do you know?
2. If you were to change something that happened in the story, what would it be? What change would you make? Why?
3. If you were the main character, what would you have done? Why
4. What is the most important character trait shown by the main character? Why is the trait important? Give evidence to support your answer.
5. If you could give the main character some advice, what would you tell him or her? Why would you give that advice?
6. Is there someone in your life that reminds you of one of the characters? Explain in what way the character is similar.
7. Sometimes authors leave us wondering about characters and events in the story. What are some questions you have for the author?
8. Did you like the ending of the story? If you did not, tell how you would have ended the story differently and why.
9. Why do you think the author wrote this story? Give evidence to support your answer.
10. What was the author showing about life in the story? How do you know?