



# Comprehension Questions to Ask your Child

## General questions for any genre:

- Why does the title make sense?
- Is this a non-fiction [real] or fiction book? How do you know?
- Why do you think the author wrote the book?

## For fiction text only:

- Who is the story mostly about?  
[Who are the characters in the story?]
- If you could add a page to the book, what would you write?
- What is your opinion of the book? Did you like it or not? Why?
- Does it remind you of anything in your life? [Text to Self]
- Does it remind you of any other books you have read? [Text to Text]
- Does it remind you of anything that has happened in the world? [Text to World]
- What is the main problem in the story?
- How is the problem solved? [solution]
- What is the setting of the story? [Where & when did it take place?]
- What is one thing that happens to the main character?
- How does the main character change from the beginning of the story to the end? How do you know? Use part of the story.
- Are there any characters that remind you of yourself or some that you know? If so, why?
- Retell the most important events in your own words.
- What character traits did the characters have [kind, mean, creative, patient, messy?] How do you know? Use part of the story.



### For non-fiction text only:

- What is the most important thing to remember in the story?
- What facts were in the book? What were the key details?
- What new facts did you learn?

### Some helpful tips:

- ❖ Make sure your child is reading “A Good Fit” book at their level. A book that is too hard frustrates a child & hinders comprehension & fluency.
- ❖ Encourage writing☺ Have your child write about what they have read. They can write the beginning, middle and end or keep a daily journal.