

# Midway Reading Tip of the Month

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If you find that your child is struggling with reading you may want to try one or more of these tips over the summer.

**Purpose:** Are you reading to find out what happens in a story or to find out information.

Author's purpose is to persuade, inform or entertain.

**Prior Knowledge:** What do you already know about the content?

**Predict:** What might happen in the story or what information might be in the text?

**Preview:** Look at the title, pictures, captions, headings, bold words, and other text features.

**Connect:** How is the story or information similar to what you know?

Text to self    Text to Text    Text to World

**Predict:** What will happen next? Will my prediction change as I read?

**Question:** What don't you understand? What words are familiar? What confused you? What made you wonder?

Ask yourself questions while you read.

**Learn Vocabulary:** What does this word mean? Should I skip it? (NO!) Can you say the word? Can you tell someone else what it means?

**Imagery:** What images appear in your mind as you read?

Visualizing: picture what you read in your mind. How would the setting and the characters look if you could see them?

**Infer:** What conclusions can you create based upon what you know and the clues from the text?

Use the clues in the text to discover what is not directly stated.

**Re-read:** When you get confused return to the beginning of the sentence or paragraph and reread it slowly and carefully.

**Summarize:** What have you read about? What was the most important part?

Shorter than the text. Use your own words Main ideas only

**Evaluate:** What is your opinion about the story or information you just read?

**Reflect:** What will you take away with you? How have you changed after reading this text?

Compare and Contrast: Ask yourself : What is the same? What is different?