

Appendix F4

After Reading Discussion Starters

Here is a list of questions and prompts to start a discussion to check for comprehension. Do not feel you need to ask every question. Also, please note that there is a list for fiction and non-fiction texts.

Fiction Texts

- # Start from the beginning of the book and tell me what happened.
- # Who was in the story?
- # Where did the story take place?
- # What was the problem in the story?
- # How was the problem solved?
- # How did the characters' feelings change in the story?
- # What does this story remind you of?
- # If you were the character, what would you do? Why?
- # What happened in the beginning? What happened in the middle? What happened in the end?
- # Tell me more about the part when _____.
- # Who was the most interesting character? Why?
- # Could you think of other ways to solve the problem in the story?
- # What do you think the author wanted you to learn/think about in this story?
- # What was your favorite part of the book? Why?
- # Would you recommend this book to a friend? Why or why not?

Non-Fiction Texts

- # What are some new facts you learned from this book?
- # What was surprising to learn?
- # What are some facts you already knew?
- # What did this book remind you of?
- # What do you think the author wanted you to learn/think about after reading this book?
- # What was your favorite part of the book? Why?
- # Would you recommend this book to a friend? Why or why not?