



Reading with Early Years Children



Comprehension Questions

How can I help my child's understanding of the book?

Recalling Key Facts

At the end of the page, ask them one of these questions. Let them read back through the text, or read the text aloud to them, allowing them to find or hear the answer.

What is happening in the picture?

Who are the characters in the book?

Where do they live?

How is the character feeling?

Where does the story take place?

When did the story take place?

Tell me about the main character - (*Young, old, friendly, miserable, lonely, popular...*)



Predicting and Explaining

After the children have read a few pages, can they predict what will happen next? OR explain why something has happened. If they find this difficult, give them suggestions.



What do you think will happen next?

Why do you think the character did that?

Why do you think the character did that?

Does the character remind you of anyone?

Reflecting

Discuss the ending of the book with the children. Give them some time to digest what they have read with you.

What happened in the story?

How does the story make you feel?

What do you think about the ending of the story?

What was your favourite part of the story? Why?

