

## Questioning

Readers...

- Generate questions before, during, and after reading pertaining to the text's content, structure and language.
- Ask questions for different purposes including those that clarify their own developing meaning, making predictions and wonder about the choices the author made when writing.

### **What's Key for Kids** by Debbie Miller in *Reading With Meaning*

- Readers spontaneously and purposefully ask questions before, during, and after reading.
- Readers ask questions to
  - Clarify meaning
  - Speculate about text yet to be read
  - Determine an author's style, intent, content, or format
  - Focus attention on specific components of the text
  - Locate a specific answer in the text or consider rhetorical questions inspired by the text
- Readers determine whether the answers to their questions can be found in the text or whether they will need to infer the answer from the text, their background knowledge, and/or an outside source.
- Readers understand that many of the most intriguing questions are not answered explicitly in the text, but are left to the reader's interpretation.
- Readers understand that hearing others' questions inspires new ones of their own; likewise, listening to others' answers can inspire new thinking.
- Readers understand that the process of questioning is used in other areas of their lives both personal and academic.
- Readers understand that asking questions deepens their comprehension.