

Asking Questions

While you are reading you want to ask yourselves questions. Asking questions is a great strategy to help you monitor your thinking and understanding of the text.

You can use the 5Ws to help you come up with questions for both fiction and nonfiction.

Who?

- Who is the text about?
- Who are all the characters?
- Who wrote this text?

What?

- What is the main idea?
- What is the problem?
- What is the author's purpose?

When?

- When did these events happen?
- When does this story take place?
- When did the author write this?

Where?

- Where does the story take place?
- Where does the problem occur?

Why?

- Why did the author write this book?
- Why did the character experience these problems?

How?

- How was the problem solved?
- How does this book relate to my own life?



Don't forget! While you read, be sure to look for the answers to your questions.