We are working on important ways to better understand what we read. Listed below are 8 comprehension strategies that are being taught. When reading, watching TV, talking or sharing a special time together, you can help by asking some questions that will help your child.

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| Comprehension Strategy | What Good Readers Do | Parent Question j for Discussion . |
| Recall Prior Knowledge | Good readers think about the information that they j already know to better understand what they read. | What does this remind you .of? |
| Predict | Good readers use their background knowledge and clues from what has been read to think about what will happen next. | What do you think will happen next? Why? |
| Identify Main Idea | Good readers are able to explain the most importantideas. | What was most important about what you've just read? I Why was that important toyou? j |
| Question | Good readers ask themselves questions to better understand what they read. | What is a question you haveso far? |
| Create Pictures inYour Mind | Good readers make pictures in their minds to help them understand what they arereading. | What are you seeing in your mind as you are reading this? | |
| Make Inferences | Good readers use what they already know and ideas for the book to make a conclusion about an event orperson. | How do you know thatwill happen? 1 Whv do you supposeacted that way? |
| Summarize | Good readers can explain the most important ideas from beginning, middle and end ofthe story. | Tell me what this story isabout.Explain the most important details from this information. |
| Clarify | Good readers have more that one way to clear up what they do not understand. | What can you do to readthat word?What might help you to understand this confusing 1 part better? j |

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