

A READING-STRATEGY CHECKLIST

Name _____ Date _____

Before Reading

- ___ I think about the cover, title, and what I know about the topic.
- ___ I skim, looking at and thinking about illustrations, photos, graphs, and charts.
- ___ I read headings and captions.
- ___ I read the back cover and/or print on the inside if the jacket.
- ___ I use the five-finger method to see if the book is just right for me.
- ___ I ask questions.
- ___ I make predictions.

During Reading

- ___ I make mental pictures.
- ___ I identify confusing parts and reread them.
- ___ I use pictures, graphs, and charts to understand confusing parts.
- ___ I identify unfamiliar words and use context clues to figure out their meanings.
- ___ I stop and retell to see what I remember. If necessary, I reread.
- ___ I predict and adjust or confirm.
- ___ I raise questions and read on to discover answers.
- ___ I jot down a tough word and the page it's on and ask for help.

After Reading

- ___ I think about the characters, settings, events, or new information.
- ___ I discuss or write my reactions.
- ___ I reread parts I enjoy.
- ___ I skim to find details.
- ___ I reread to find support for questions.