

Grade 4 English Language Arts

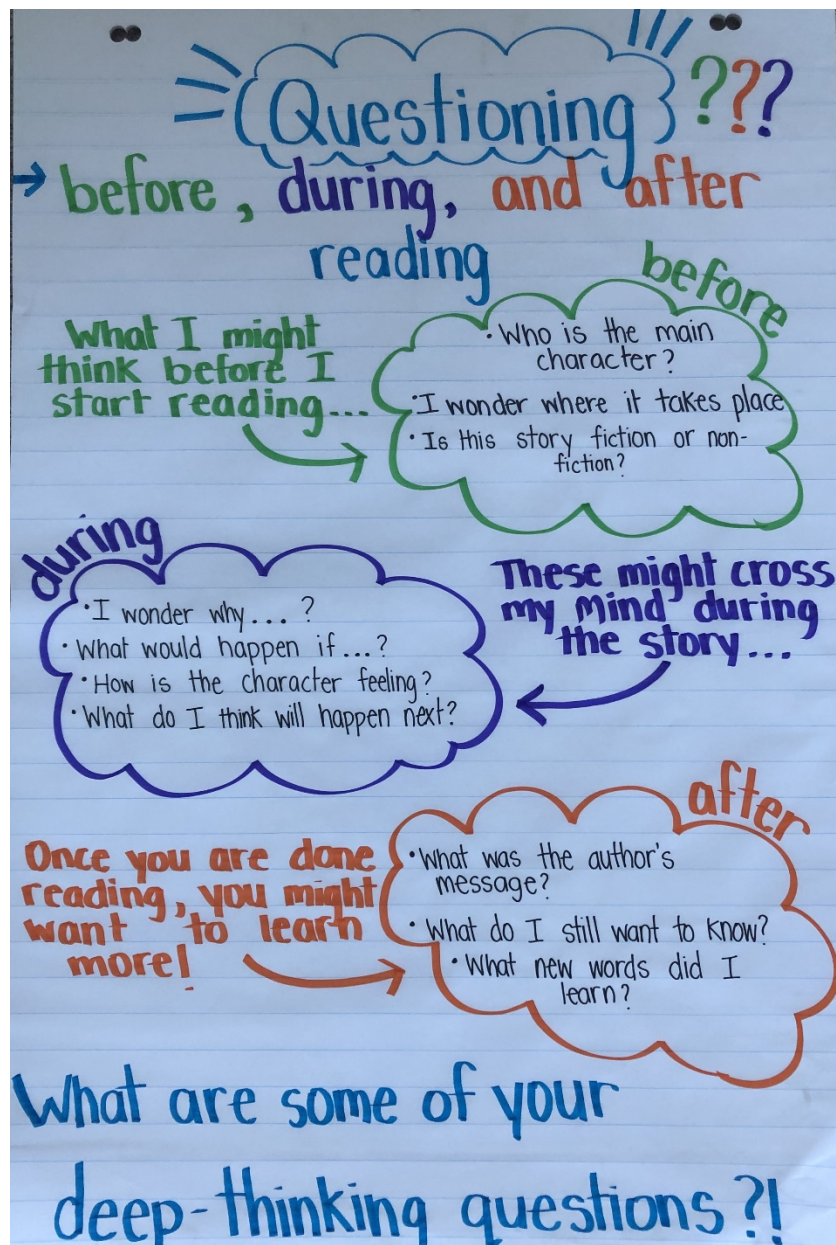
Week of October 19 – October 22

Lesson 4: Questioning and Wondering

What Is Questioning?

Being *curious* is important when learning to be a good reader. Good readers ask questions *before they read, while they read, and after they read*. It is important to ask questions during these times because it helps us have a better understanding of what we are reading.

Let's take a look at some examples of what type of questions a reader might ask!



Before Reading

Before you read any book, or watch a movie, you may be curious! **Curious readers** can have a better understanding about a story because they are **active readers**. Active readers are always asking questions, making connections and guessing what will happen next.>

Take a look at the questions below. Do you notice something?

"What is this story about?"

"Who is the main character?"

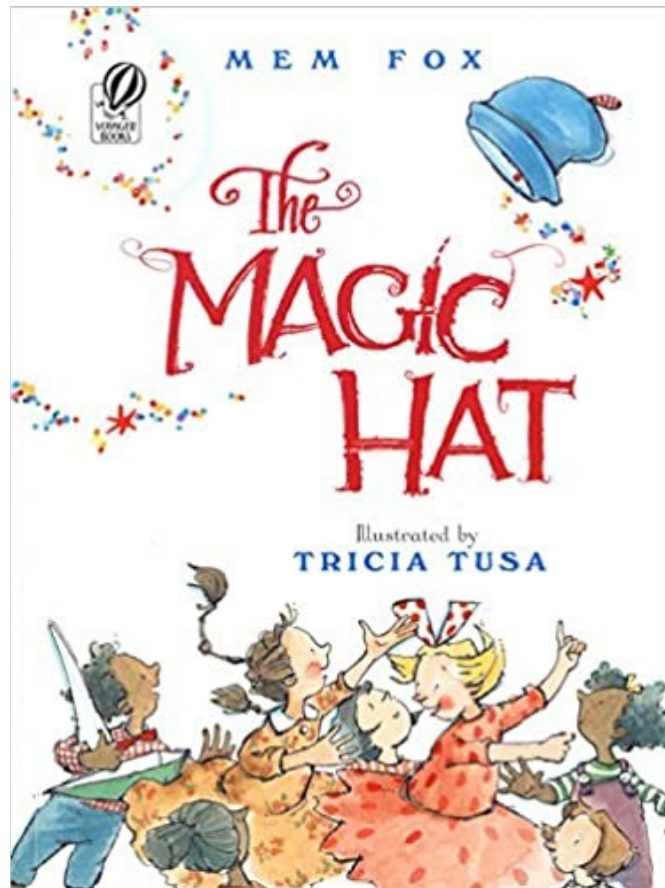
"I wonder what type of movie or book this is..."

"Is there any action?"

"I wonder if this will be a funny book!"

Not ALL questions will sound like a question! "I wonder..." questions are a great example because you can show what you think may or may not happen.

Take a look at this book cover below...



Can you think of any questions or wonders you might have before reading this book?

Before Reading Questions: What are 3 questions you have about “The Magic Hat” based on the cover and title of the story?

During Reading

Once you start reading a story, it's important to **keep being curious WHILE you read or watch a story!** Here are a few examples of what type of questions that may come to mind WHILE you read.

Does this text remind you of something?

I wonder why the character did _____?

What do you think will happen next?

Why do you think the character did _____?

I wonder what would happen if _____ happened.



Now that you have at least 3 questions for BEFORE reading, you will now watch the video below of *Magic Hat* by Mem Fox: https://youtu.be/Ex_DA6NKXGY

Can you think of any questions or wonders while you read this book?

During Reading Questions: What are 3 questions you have about “The Magic Hat” as you listened to the story?

After Reading

When you are done reading it is an important time to reflect on what you just read or learned. It's also the best time to check if you are still wondering about the book.

Do you have any burning questions for the author?

What did ____ mean?

How did the story or text make me feel?

How have my feelings for the characters changed?

What was the author trying to tell me?

Now that you have listened to *The Magic Hat* by Mem Fox, do you have any questions or wonders left in your mind?

Write down 1-2 questions or wonders.

After Reading Questions: What are 3 questions you have about “The Magic Hat” after listening?