



January Reading Comprehension Focus Predicting



All About Predicting

- Definition: use information presented in the text and prior knowledge or experiences to infer (or guess) what will happen in the story.
- Includes the following: thinking and discussing with your child the characters feelings and the plot possibilities, looking at the pictures and guessing what might happen next.

Why is this skill important?

- Involves the readers with the text
- Asks the readers to constantly evaluate information
- Helps readers develop hypotheses (make reasonable guesses)
- Allows readers to decide whether or not their hypotheses were correct

Getting Started

- Begin to read the text, but then stop at one or more places during the story.
- Questions to ask might include:
 - What do you think might happen next? Why?
 - How do you think that character is feeling? Why?
 - How would you feel if that happened to you?