

Reading Comprehension Sentence Starter Cards

Predict Comment Clarify
Connect Synthesize Question



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Suggestions for Use

Independent Reading:

- Students draw cards from the pile:
 - After a story is finished
 - At the end of each chapter
 - After every two pages

In Small Groups:

- Take turns drawing cards and answering

In Literature Circles:

- One student “job” can be comprehension checker. He gives two cards randomly to every student and they share their ideas.

In Large Groups:

- Teacher pulls a card and everyone thinks of an answer. Teacher calls on students to share.

*I like to print cards on different colored paper and laminate them for more durable and longer-lasting cards.



Make a Prediction!

I know _____, so I think _____ will happen next.

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Make a Prediction!

I wonder if...

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I predict that...

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Because of _____, I think _____ will happen later.

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I bet that...

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The picture makes me think that...

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Make a Connection!

This reminds me of...

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The character _____ is similar to me because...

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The problem in this story reminds me of _____ because...

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This story makes me think about...

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The character _____ is different than me because...

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The character _____ reminds me of _____ because...

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Clarify Something!

Now I understand that...

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At first I thought _____, but
now I think...

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I think this means...

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Oh, now I get...

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Now _____ makes sense
because...

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This part is really saying that...

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Ask a Question!

Why did...?

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Why didn't...?

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Ask a Question!

What would happen if...?

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Ask a Question!

How does...?

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I like _____ because...

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Synthesize Something!

Before I read I thought _____,
but now I think...

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This part gives me an idea...

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I learned...

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Now I understand...

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Some of the most important
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