



Reading Support

LEARNING FROM HOME



What Do Good READERS DO?	BACKGROUND KNOWLEDGE	Think: What do I already know about this topic? Good readers use what they already know and their experiences to help them make sense of the text.	VISUALIZE	Create mental images of the characters, settings and events in the text. Think: What picture am I seeing in my head while reading.	INFERENCES	Use clues in the text and from your own knowledge to fill in the gaps to help you draw conclusions about the story or text.
	ONESTIONS VSK	Stop and ask yourself questions to see if the text makes sense. Re- read the text if you need more information to support your understanding.	CONNECTIONS	Think about what you already know about the text. Find ways to connect the text to yourself, other texts/movies or the world around you.	PREDICTIONS	Determine what you think will happen in the text. Use the title, text and illustrations to help you.
	IDENTIFY THE MAIN IDEA	What is the text mostly about? Think: What does the author want me to understand?	COMPARE AND CONTRAST	In your reading compare how two things are alike. To contrast compare how the two things are different. Also think about how the two things are the same.	SUMMARIZE	Our brain can sum up what's happened in the story or what information is in the text. Use your own words to describe what you have read.
	SEQUENCE ABC	This is the order in which events occur in the text. Think: What happened first, second then last.	FACTS AND DETAILS	Separating important details from interesting details. Think: What details support the main idea.	REREAD FOR CLARITY	You may need to re-read the text to help you understand fully what the text is about. Think: What is the author saying? Am I understanding what I am reading?
	CAUSE AND EFFECT	Think: What happened? Why did it happen? Cause is the reason why something happens. Effect is what happened.	PACT AND OPINION	Remember that a FACT can be proven. An OPINION is something that someone thinks or feels but can't be proven.	PACING	Think: Am I reading at the right pace to help my understanding of the text? Think about your accuracy, expression, notice punctuation and the pace of your reading.



Learning Intention: To use prior knowledge to make predictions.



Before you read look at the front cover:





Think about why you would read a non-fiction book. Get into the habit of asking questions before, during and after reading.

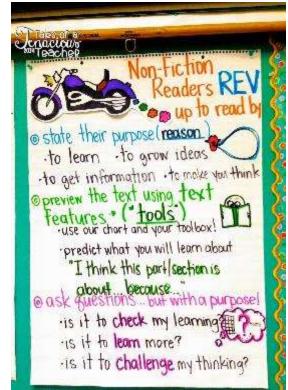


Write down three questions you have about the Earth before you start.





• **THEN** – listen to the book **'Earth'.** During and after listening, write down more questions that sprang to your mind, that you would like answered.









Read pages 4-15 to an adult:







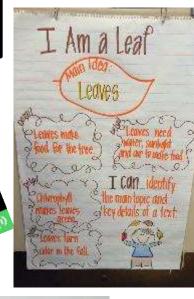
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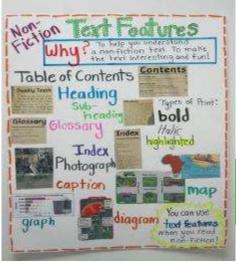




As you read the text again, look at **each page** and **identify** the **Text Features** shown. Share your thinking out loud with an adult. Discuss the **purpose** of using headings, photographs, diagrams and captions.





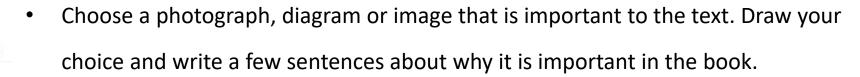




Learning Intention: To search for information in the text and summarise it.



Read 'Earth' pages 16-23 to an adult:





Write down two new pieces of information you learnt from your reading.

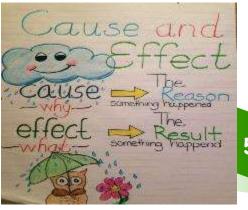


• The second part of the book is about the Earth's layers. Have a go at summarising what you have read. Write down the most important parts but put the information into your own words.



• Can you find an example in the text to explain Cause and Effect?







Some more activities if you choose...

Learning Intention: To show your understanding of the text.

 Make a model of the Earth's layers using playdough or coloured paper. Remember to label all the parts.

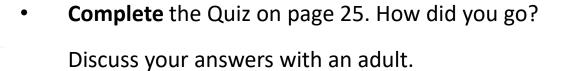


Do some **research** about the Earth that interests you. It might be about the Solar System, the seasons or how night and day happen. **Create** a short **PowerPoint.**

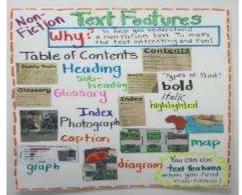


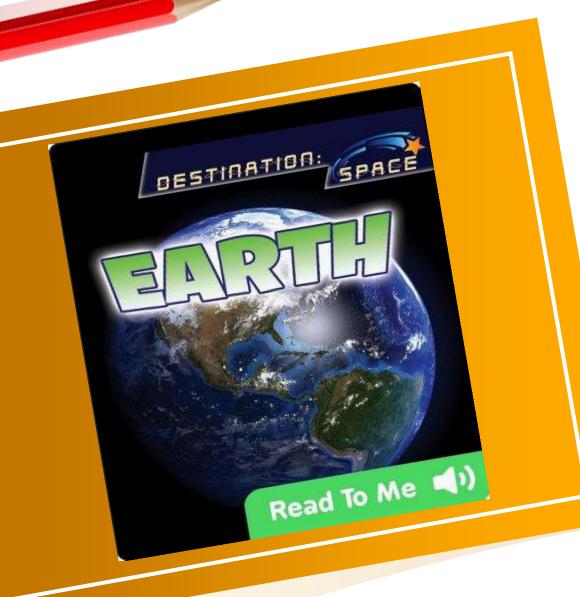
Write down all the important Text Features in the book and explain the purpose of

each one e.g. title, headings etc. Be creative and make your own poster.









Incredible Reading!

Keep up the great reading!