



### Some Reading Questions You Can Ask...

- Who are the characters in the story?
- Can you describe what your favorite character looks like?
- What is the main setting of the story?
- Can you describe one of the settings in the story?
- What are the some of the problems in the story?
- How did the character(s) solve the problem?
- What would you have done to solve the problem?
- Can you think of some ways the characters could have done something different to avoid the conflict?
- Can you think of a compromise that might have worked?
- What did you learn from the story?
- Have you ever had this experience?
- How would you change the story?



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## Homework Family Time Tips and Ideas

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- **Set a regular schedule and place for homework time**

Think about distractions, lighting, and access to supplies and materials.

Consider different times and your family schedule.

Plan homework as a daily activity.

- **Do homework together - school work, bills, reading**

Share the work you are doing.

How does the subject relate to your work?

What are some future uses of the learning for your child?

Discuss ways the concepts may influence the future.

What are your child's ideas about the subject.

- **Ask Questions**

What did you like? Why/Why Not?

What was hard or easy? How would you change the assignment to help understand the ideas?

What is the main idea?

How did you find the answer? Can you teach me?

- **Review assignments**

Look for neat papers and hand writing.

Check for complete answers and headings.

Basics Heading Includes: Name, Date, Teacher, and Assignment.

Ask your child to read the paper, spell the words or use them in different sentences, or share the main idea(s) they learned.

- **Look through your child's notebook and backpack on a regular basis**

Ask about papers, assignments, and help them keep these neat and organized.

Ask questions about papers you find.

What was the grade? What did the teacher say? Will you explain the comments?

If the paper is not graded, check to see if it was turned in. Ask the teacher for information on missing and/or incomplete assignments.

- **Reading is always an expected homework activity**

Kindergarten -3rd Grade - 15-45 minutes each night.

Third-Eight Grade - 45-90 minutes each night.