

Strengthening Comprehension at Home

How to help your child understand what they are reading



Wednesday, January 29th

8:30AM - 9:30AM

Morse School Library

Brought to you by the Morse
School Literacy Leadership Team

Light refreshments will be provided.
All parents/guardians are welcome!

Big Ideas

- preview the book
- revisit the book in conversation
- check for understanding
- make meaningful connections

Agenda

- **Whole group** - before, during and after you've read a book with your child
- **Breakout Group** - read alouds at your child's grade level
- **Share** - what is something you are taking away from today.

Before Reading

You could ask:

- What is the title of the book? Who is the author or illustrator?
- What does the front and back cover tell you about the book?
- What do you think the book is about?
- Is this book fiction(make believe) or nonfiction(true)? How do we know?
- What do you think will happen?
- What do you think you will learn?
- Why do you want to read this story?

During Reading

You could ask:

- What do you think might happen next?
- How do you think the character is feeling?
- Does the story make sense? Do you understand what is happening?
- What is the problem in the book?
- What does the story remind you of?
- How will the story end?
- What information are you finding interesting so far?

After Reading

You could ask:

- How did the story or book make you feel?
- What did you like or dislike about the story?
- What was the most important part of the story?
- How did the problem get solved?
- Which character did you like best? Why?
- How did the character change?
- What did you learn from the book?

Breakout Groups

Preschool & Kindergarten

Michelle Connelly
Lucy DeNio
Samantha Headley
Neal Klinman

1st & 2nd Grade

Gena Rosenberg
Donna McConnell

3rd, 4th & 5th Grade

Jeannie Athanassiu
Bess Gutter
Mary Gallant