

Questions to ask before, during, after reading



Who?

Compare and contrast 2 characters in the novel.

How are the characters feeling? Why?

Who is the protagonist? Why?

Who are the minor characters? Why?

Who is the antagonist? Why?

What was a turning point for the character? Why?

What do you think will happen to the character? Why?



What?

What would have happened if...?

What do you think about...?

Based on events so far, what do you think will happen next?

What message or idea is the author trying to convey? How?

What do you think will happen between....?

What clues has the author given you about future events?



Where?

Why has the author chosen this setting?

How does the setting affect the plot?

Has the setting changed since the start? Why or why not?

How might the setting reflect the events that take place in the book?



Why?

Why are characters feeling the way they do?

Why do you think the writer decided to..?

Why have things happened the way they have so far?

Why hasn't the author told you everything about....?

Why did the author choose to start the story in this way?

Why has the author decided to put chapter breaks in where they are?



When?

When does this story take place? Why this time setting?

When are we introduced to the protagonist? Why at this time?

When was something significant about a character revealed to the reader? Why then?

When did you realise something revealing had happened?

When in the story did the author include a moment of drama or climax? Why at that point?

How long do events take to unfold? Why did the writer choose this time frame?



How?

How does the author keep you engaged in the story?

How does the author structure the story? What order do events happen in?

How is the story told to you? Who is the narrator?

How does the writer make you imagine a place, character, event?

How have characters and their feelings changed, if at all?

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