

ASKING QUESTIONS?


• Write "fat" questions (not "skinny") that require more than a few words to answer.

Examples:

Why _____ ?

How _____ ?

NOT: What or Where or Is or Who



Strategy

Asking Questions

Ask lots of questions as you read. Ask them after you read too!

Asking Questions	Finding Answers
Ask questions about how you read. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Am I "getting" this? • I'm confused. What can I do? 	Reread to see if you missed an important fact or a definition of a hard word. Read on to see if the confusion is cleared up.
Ask questions about what you read. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What happens and why? • How is this related to what I just read? • What does this word mean? • Do I like this? 	Read on for answers to your questions. Look for information that helps you figure out the answer. Remember that some of your questions may not be answered in the article.
Ask questions to learn more. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What else do I want to know? • What do I wonder about? 	Share your questions with others. Think about ways to find the answers.

Asking Questions Sentence Starters

How Questions

How did.....?

How...?

How do/does...?

How was/will...?

How is it possible that...?

Why Questions

Why did...?

Why do you think...?

Why did (character's name)_____...?

Why....?

You may be able to change a “skinny” question into a “fat” question by adding “why” to the end. For example, What did Maddy Rose feel when she was taking a risk by putting the red stockings on the clothesline, and why?