

Parents as Partners

READING AT HOME



CHAPTER 3

Making Connections

Good readers think about their own experiences, other books they have read and their knowledge of the world to better understand what they are reading.

Thinking about what you already know is called using your schema and helps readers to better understand what they read.

To help your child make meaningful connections, you can model your own connections for your child.



You might say...

- That part reminds me of...
- I read another book that...
- This makes me think of...
- I felt _____ like (name of character)... when...
- This book reminds me of (another book) because...
- I can relate to... because one time...
- Something similar happened to me when...



When reading together,

stop from time to time and encourage your child to share his/her own connections to the book.