# Fiction Reading Strategies:

# Know my characters:

- Pay attention to what they say, do, and think.
- How is the character feeling?
- How does the character respond to events or problems?
- Notice the relationships between characters.

# Keep Track of the Plot

- Envision the scenes in the book by noticing descriptive details and know when setting has changed or time has passed.
- Retell across fingers what has happened in the story (First, Next, Then...)

# Readers LINGER with a book when they finish ...

- Notice how the character changes across the story by collecting evidence of these changes and marking these places in our book.
- Think about what *lessons* might be learned by the character by noticing how the character changed throughout the book.
- Think about the author and why he or she wrote the book.
- Check out my sticky notes...

#### What do I notice?

# Nonfiction Reading Strategies

Build expectations of what you are reading by thinking about all you know about a topic before you begin reading.

# Studying the Features:



- Pictures, Graphs, & Charts...
  - "How does this information fit with what I am reading?"
- Headings & Subheadings
   "How does what I just read fit with the heading/subheading & the bigger topic?"

### Unfamiliar Words:

- Context Clues
   (slow down & read round the word)
- Use Text features
   (captions & glossary)

### Author's Purpose /Fact & Opinion

- "Can the information be proven or is some of it opinion?"
- "What is the author trying to say?"
- "What does the author use to support information in the text?"

# <u>Understanding the Main Idea</u>

- Summarize after every chunk (WHO and WHAT was this section about?)
- React to information by asking,
   "What does that make me think?