

FOUR STRATEGIES OF EXPERT READERS

1. Questioning
2. Summarizing
3. Clarifying
4. Predicting

NINE WAYS TO RESPOND

1. Questions related to understanding the reading

Ask questions about characters, events, and situations. Wonder who, what, where, when, why, and how.

2. Interaction with the characters

Pretend you have a relationship with the character. Write letters. Create conversations.

3. Empathy with the characters

Pretend you *are* the character. Write letters *as the character*. Keep a journal *as the character*.

4. Prediction and validation

Make predictions about what will happen next, and to whom. Later on, write down whether you were right.

5. Personal experiences

Write down personal experiences that the reading reminds you of.

6. Personal feelings and opinions

Respond with your feelings and opinions about the topic, the situation, the events, or a character.

7. Simple and elaborated evaluations

Is the piece you are reading good or bad? What makes it good or bad? What makes it exciting or boring?

8. Philosophical reflections

How does what you are reading reflect the world around you? What does it say about life and the people who live it?

9. Retellings and summaries

Review the reading in your own words, making sure to include the most important points.

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