

Activity: Mentor Read Aloud

Materials: Children's Book (suggestions included on our book list)

Grade Range: Pre-K – 2

Time: 25 minutes

Synopsis: Students will listen as the mentor reads a book. Students will then answer some comprehension questions about the book. This lesson highlights literacy skills of listening comprehension as well as narrative skills. Students are also asked to answer questions which allows them to practice using their loud and proud voices!

Instructions:

- 1. Inform the students that you will be reading a book to them. Make sure to tell them to listen closely because you will have some questions for them at the end!
- 2. Be sure to turn the book towards your camera so that the students can see the pictures
- 3. Make sure you are in a quiet space with good light and use a loud voice

Comprehension Question Suggestions to Facilitate Discussion:

- 1. Could this story be true? Why or why not?
- 2. Where is the setting of this story?
- 3. Who is this story about? Tell about him or her.
- 4. What words would you use to describe the main character?
- 5. Do you like the main character? Why or why not?
- 6. Does the main character have a problem? What is it?
- 7. How is the problem solved? (What is the solution?)
- 8. What is the scariest, funniest, saddest, most interesting, or most funny part of the story? Read it aloud.
- 9. Do you like this story? Why or why not?
- 10. Do you know any real people who are like the characters in this story? Who are the people? How are they the same? How are the different?
- 11. Did anything in the story happen that has happened to you? Tell about it.
- 12. Who is telling this story? Is there a narrator?
- 13. Why do you think the author chose the title for this story? How does it relate to the story?
- 14. Would you like to be a character from the story? Why or why not?
- 15. Would you recommend this book to a friend? Why or why not?