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SENTENCE STEMS FOR COMPREHENSION STRATEGIES

SYNTHESIZING
>>> Now I understand why…
>>> I am beginning to think/realize…
>>> I used to think…
>>> I am changing my m…
>>> My new thinking is…
>>> At first I thought…, b…
>>> This made me think o…
>>> I already knew…, c…
>>> I understand this be…

USING SCHEMA
>>> I already knew that…
>>> This topic is familiar to me because…
>>> My background knowledge of this
…or…
…g…
…because I know…
…derstand this because

MAKING AN INFERENCE
>>> Based on…, I can conclude that…
>>> It could be that…
>>> Based on the clues, it could mean that…
…e/she felt…
…infer…

MAKING CONNECTIONS
>>> …reminds me of when I read…because…
>>> …reminds of me of the time I…because…
>>> I read another book where…

VISUALIZING
>>> I am picturing…because…
>>> My mental image is…because…
>>> I can smell/taste…in my mind
because…

QUESTIONING
>>> I wonder…
>>> I was confused when…
>>> How could….?
>>> Why do you think…?
>>> Who…?
>>> What…?
>>> Where…?
>>> When…?
>>> What if…?
>>> I don't understand…but I think…

DETERMINING IMPORTANCE
>>> …is important in this book because…
>>> One idea that I notice is important is…
  I know it is important because…
>>> I need to remember…because…
>>> The text was mostly about…
>>> The author really wanted me to
  understand…
>>> I learned…
>>> The important details were…
>>> Some of the important ideas are…

MAKING PREDICTIONS
>>> I predict that …because…
>>> I think that … will happen
  next…because…
>>> This makes me think that …will happen next
  because…
>>> I predict the main character
  will…because…
>>> I predict the problem will be solved by
  …because…

SYNTHESIZING

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》》》I am changing my mind about …

》》》My new thinking is…

》》》At first I thought…, but now I think…

》》》This made me think of …, and now I realize that…

》》》I already knew…, and now I learned…

》》》I understand this better because…

USING SCHEMA

》》》I already knew that…

》》》This topic is familiar to me because…

》》》My background knowledge of this topic is…

》》》I have schema for…

》》》I am remembering …

》》》I can relate to … because I know…

》》》I am thinking of …

》》》I was able to understand this because I know…
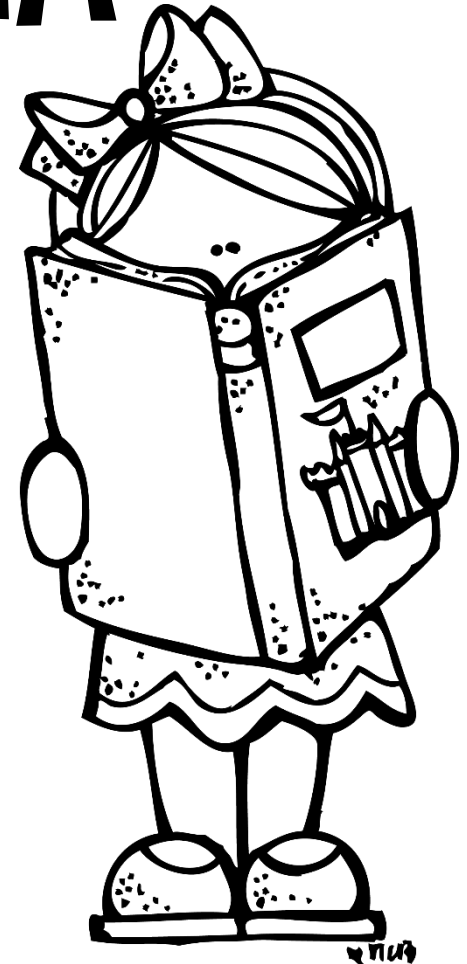
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>>>It could be that…

>>>Based on the clues, it could mean that…

>>>When the character said…, I think he/she felt …

>>>I think he/she said… because …

>>>I infer that …

>>>This clue in the book made me think …

>>>My conclusion is…

>>>I am inferring…

>>>Based on the evidence in the text, I infer…

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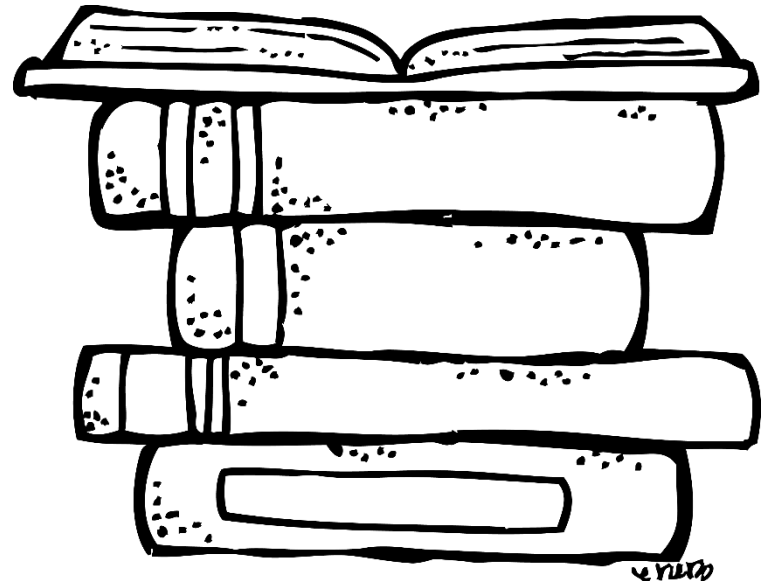
» I can smell/taste… in my mind because…

» I can imagine …

» I can feel/see… in my mind because…

» When … happened, I could picture …

» I visualized …

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≫ I read another book where…

≫ This book makes me think of … because…

≫ This story reminds me of … because…

≫ This character reminds me of… because…

≫ The problem in the book reminds of

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