

ELA 2ND GRADE



Strategies to Achieve Reading Success

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Lesson Objective: Making Predictions

What Is a Prediction?

A prediction is a good guess about something. You might guess that it is going to rain because you see many dark clouds in the sky. When you make a prediction, you use what you already know to make a good guess about something.



How Do You Make a Prediction?

You can make a prediction about a story before you begin reading. Sometimes the title gives you a clue about what you will be reading.

Read the title of the story that Ben wrote. Make a prediction about what will happen in the story. Then read the passage.

Forgetful Mrs. Finch

Mrs. Finch sometimes forgets to lock her gate. That's when her dog Charlie gets out. Charlie comes over to my yard. He barks until someone plays with him. I hear a noise outside now. I think Mrs. Finch forgot to lock her gate again.

**WHAT
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KNOW**

When you think about what might happen next in a story, you are **making a prediction**. Making a prediction is a way of using clues from a story, as well as things you already know, to make a good guess about what might happen next.

- Clues are often in the title of a story. Read the title, and then make a guess about what you will be reading.
- Clues are often in the facts and details in a story. Details about the things characters do and say often help you make a prediction about what they might do or say later in the story.
- Clues are often in any pictures included with a story. Pictures often show something that is happening or will happen soon.

**Read the first part of this story about a boy named Jon.
As you read, think about what might happen next in the story.**

Jon was at the school fair. He bought four raffle tickets. He wanted to win the new basketball that was being raffled off.



The school principal read the winning ticket number aloud. Jon looked at his ticket. He jumped up and down. He tried to shout, but no sound came out.

Think about what you just read. Think about what you already know about how people act. Make a good guess about what might happen next. Then continue reading. See how close your guess is to what really happens.

What happened next in the story was:

Read this story about two friends. As you read, ask yourself, "Which facts and details will help me predict what will happen next?" Then answer the questions.

Sam and Will went to the library. "I want to find a book about planes," said Will.

"I want to find a book about horses," said Sam.

Will was reading about jets when he saw Sam standing by a large bookcase. Her head was down, and she was not holding a book.

"Did you find your book?" asked Will.

"No," said Sam. "I can't find any books about horses."

"There's a woman behind the desk over there. She's here to help people," said Will.



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