

Question Card Chant



Common Core Standard

With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text.

Basically this means your child can....

Tell who, what, where, when, why, and how after listening to stories.

Background Information:

Your child is developing reading comprehension skills. Reading comprehension is the ability to understand what is written and is developed through making predictions, retelling stories, and answering key questions about stories.

What You Need:

- A storybook
- Question cards (see following)
- Scissors

Activity Instructions:

In this activity, using a fun interactive chant, your child will learn how to pose the following key questions and will develop confidence in their reading comprehension by answering these questions about the stories they read:

Who? What? When? Where? Why? How?

1. Show your child the *Question Cards* on the following page and help your child cut them out.
2. Tell your child that they are going to learn how to ask and answer questions about a book. Together brainstorm questions that could be asked about any book.
3. Introduce the following chant to your child. As you introduce it, say both parts of the chant:

Parent: Who? *Point to your child*

Child: Who are they?

Parent: What? *Point to your child*

Child: What happened? *Point to your child*

Parent: When? *Point to your child*

Child: When did it happen?

Parent: Where? *Point to your child*

Child: Where did it happen?

Parent: Why? *Point to your child*

Child: Why did it happen?

Parent: How? *Point to your child*

Child: How did it happen?

4. Take turns saying the chant with your child. First, have your child say the chant along with you, then, take turns saying each part. You may also think up a song to go along with the words
5. Read a book aloud to your child.

Extension:

After reading any book, use the question cards to ask your child reading comprehension questions. As your child develops an understanding of these questions, you can ask additional comprehension questions as well. For example, you might ask "What do you think the characters were feeling?" or "What would you have done in this situation?"



