

Mini-Book Comprehension Questions

Grade Level	Kindergarten				1st Grade	
Reader Characteristics	ER1	ER2	ER3	ER4	BR1	BR2
Type of Assessment	Mini-book	Mini-book	Mini-book	Mini-book	Mini-book	Mini-book
Interaction with Text	<p>What did you like/dislike about this book?</p> <p>What are some key details from the story? (2-3)</p>	<p>What happened at the beginning of the story?</p> <p>What happened at the end of the story?</p>	<p>What does an illustrator do?</p> <p>(point to an illustration) What does this illustration tell you about the story or information in the book?</p>	<p>How did the pictures/illustrations help you to understand this book?</p> <p>What type of book is this (provide possible options, including storybook, fiction, non-fiction, etc.)</p>	<p>What punctuation do you notice on page _____? How does that punctuation help you read? (pausing, voice inflection, etc.)</p> <p>What types of illustrations are in the book (photographs, drawings, etc.)?</p>	<p>What was the same about the _____ in the book?</p> <p>What do you like about the characters in this book compared to characters in a different book?</p>

<p>Comprehension of Fiction</p>	<p>Who are some of the characters in the story?</p> <p>What is the setting of the story?</p>	<p>Who are some of the characters in the story? What are they like?</p> <p>What does this story remind you of?</p>	<p>After reading the text, predict what might happen next or what the character will likely do? What clues helped you with this prediction?</p>	<p>Retell the story including characters, setting, problem, and solution.</p> <p>How were the characters feeling in the book? How do you know?</p>	<p>How should we read this _____ (phrase, sentence, etc).</p> <p>What words or parts that the author wrote helps create a picture in your mind?</p>	<p>What are similarities and differences between the adventures and experiences of the characters in this story?</p> <p>What connections can you make (personal, text, world)?</p>
<p>Comprehension of Nonfiction</p>	<p>What can you learn from the title?</p> <p>What can you learn from this text feature? (Point out the features for the child.)</p>	<p>What does the book remind you of?</p> <p>What questions do you have about this book?</p> <p>What were you wondering as you read the book?</p> <p>What question would you like to ask the author?</p>	<p>Why do you think the author wrote this book?</p> <p>How did what you know about _____ help you understand this book?</p>	<p>What is the main idea? How do you know?</p> <p>How did the author use text features (pictures, diagrams, charts, etc) to help the reader understand the information in the book?</p>	<p>What text features did you notice in the book? How did they help you understand the book?</p> <p>Why do you think the author included this information in the book?</p>	<p>How does the author use photographs to give you more information about the topic?</p> <p>How does the author help you learn about _____?</p>