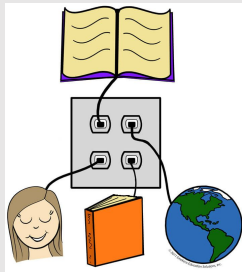


Propositional Comprehension

Propositional meaning is when the reader has to integrate text meaning with their own meaning, analyze what they have read and form an opinion based on the information and what they already know.

Propositional questions require the reader to adjust their existing knowledge because of new information.



Types of concept integration to strengthen comprehension at this level:

- Use high interest instructional text that naturally motivates.
- Prompt the student with “why” questions to retrieve background knowledge.
- Model how to make connections between what is read and what is already known.
- Encourage strategic persistence.

Propositional questions:

- deals with assumptions and reasoning
- deals with what the text means using evidence as support
- asks students to connect information and apply background knowledge
- involves linking ideas to make meaning and combine sources of information



Examples of Propositional Questions

- In the story Lisa lost her ring. Tell me about a time when you lost something. How did you feel?
- Why is it important to show kindness to others when they are hurt, sad or in need?
- What do you think is making the night sounds that the girl is hearing?