

Ideas suggested here can be used with picture books, short stories, novels or individualized reading for students of all ages. The activities listed promote comprehension.

1. Make a picture of the 2-3 characters in the story. Cut them out, on the back list the traits, students can then play a character guessing game.
2. Make a time-line of events either in pictorial or in written form.
3. Pretend you're a news reporter and provide an oral broadcast of the story.
4. Make a trivia game about the story.
5. Make a jeopardy game about the story.
6. Use puppets to help you re-tell the story.
7. Make a comic strip of the story.
8. Use a [Venn](#) to compare two characters in the story.
9. Write or state clues about your story to see if others can guess which story you read.
10. Write part 2 or a sequel to the story.
11. If you could be in this story, decide which person you would be and tell why.
12. Make a list of everything in the story that could be fact or fantasy.
13. Prepare a commercial to sell this book to somebody who hasn't yet read it.
14. Create a poster to spark interest in others to read the book.
15. Write 5 questions that somebody who has read the book should be able to answer.
16. Design a new cover for this book.
17. Make a list of what makes a good book.
18. If you had to buy something for each of the characters, what would they be and why?
19. Is there a problem in the story? How was it solved? How could it be solved in another way?
20. Write the author telling him your opinion about the book and why