

Comprehension Songs

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Making Inferences

to the tune of *Yankee Doodle*

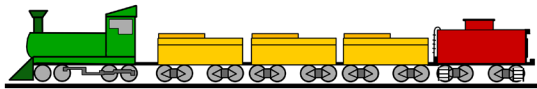
Comprehension is the goal
whenever you are reading.
Read to understand each word.
Infer for deeper meaning.
When you're reading any text,
use your thinking voice.
Use your background knowledge, too.
Good readers make that choice.



Retelling/Summarizing Ideas

to the tune of *Ring Around the Rosie*

Details go in order:
beginning, middle, end.
Recall, retell
to summarize.



Determining Main Idea

to the tune of *Hokey Pokey*

Find the main idea
in the text you read.
Think of what it means
so you know what it's about.
You need to draw conclusions
of the text you read each day
to know what it's all about.



Creating Visualizations

to the tune of *If You're Happy and You Know it*

See the details in the text. Visualize!
Imagine movies in your mind. Visualize!
If the words make sense, you'll know it
'cause your mind will surely show it.
When you're reading any text, visualize!



Asking Questions

to the tune of *Row, Row, Row Your Boat*

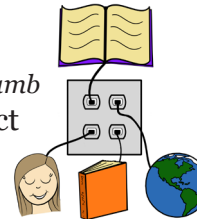
Read, read, read the text.
Question while you go.
Predict what will happen next.
Read on so you'll know.



Making Connections

to the tune of *Mary Had a Little Lamb*

When we read, we can connect
what we read
to our lives.
When we read, we can connect
to books, ourselves, the world.



Synthesizing Ideas

to the tune of *Frère Jacques*

After reading...
keep on thinking.
Use your mind.
Synthesize!
Bring ideas together.
Use your background knowledge.
Think new thoughts.
Synthesize!

