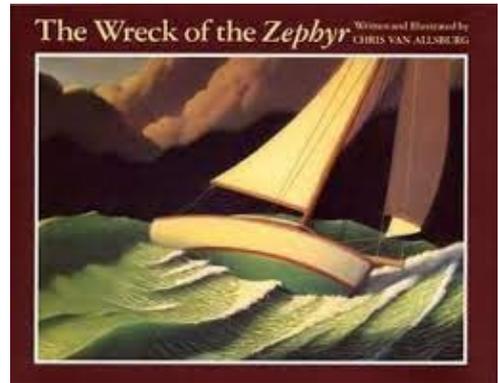


The Wreck of the Zephyr



The Wreck of the Zephyr is about a boy who believes himself to be the greatest sailor. After a storm, he finds himself on an unknown shoreline. He looks out and finds that people sail boats in the air instead of the water! He tries to do the same, and we see what happens to him and his boat.

What comprehension strategies can be used with this book?

Making Predictions

Making predictions is a strategy in which readers use information from a text and their own personal experiences to make an informed judgement on what they are about to read (or what may come next in the story).

Possible questions to ask my child:

- Only looking at the title of the book (cover the picture), predict what 'The Wreck of the Zephyr' will be about.
- Show the picture on the front cover and ask if they'd like to change their prediction? What is their new prediction?
- After reading the first page - Who do you think the old man on the first page is and do you think he will play a part in the story? Explain why you think this?
- After reading the first 3 pages - What may happen when the boy takes his boat out into the strong winds?

Predict



Think about what is going to happen in the text.

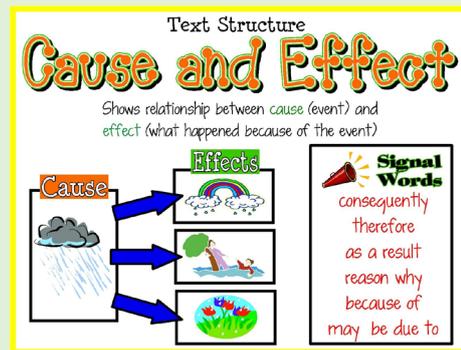
Make predictions;

Before Reading

During Reading After Reading

Cause and Effect

Cause and effect is used by readers to understand why things happen the way they do in the text. Students are taught to look for clue words that will assist them in determining the cause and effect of the events in a text.



Possible questions to ask my child:

- Ask your child to match the cause to the effect in the book:

Cause: Going out onto the sea with a storm coming over and high winds.	Effect:
Cause: Being shipwrecked on an unfamiliar island	Effect:
	Effect: Crashing onto the beach, breaking your leg, and wrecking your boat.

*'The Wreck of the Zephyr' is available to borrow from the CPS Library.