**Reading Strategies**

1. **Inference**

*Developing an understanding of a piece of writing using what you already know and applying it to the words on the page.*

1. **Connect what you read with what you already know.**

*Good readers relate their own prior understanding and experience with the text to make meaning.*

1. **Using context cues to understand the meaning of words.**
2. **Predicting what will happen**

*Good readers develop ideas about what will happen based on what they have read.*

1. **Determine the most important ideas and events.**

*Good readers continually analyze and evaluate text in order to identify key ideas*

1. **Understand the purpose of the piece of writing***.*

*To inform To Describe*

*To persuade To explain*

*To tell a story with a message*

*To Compare and contrast*

1. **Making mental pictures**

*Good readers can use their imagination to see the story in their mind.*