# Reading Habit for

# Predicting

When to use it:

- **Before reading**
- **during reading**

Why use it:

- **to set a reason for the reading**
- **to start thinking about what you already know about the topic**
- **to think deeper**
- **to make connections**

Mistakes readers make:

- **making the wrong prediction**
- **making wild guesses – not connecting predictions to text clues**
- **not adjusting predictions as more information is read**

Predicting Components: readers who use a wide variety of these predicting components will help themselves with a higher level of understanding.

- **Use the title and chapter headings to predict: use the front and back cover to predict; use the pictures and captions to predict**
- **Use questions that might be answered as one reads**
- **Use what you already know about a topic to predict**
- **Use what you know about an author, genre, or series to predict**
- **Use what you know about text organization and text structure to predict**
- **Use what has happened so far in the book to predict**
- **Use meaningful connections to predict**
- **Use what you know about a character to predict**