

# Reading Habit for Visualizing

When to use it:

- **Before reading**
- **During reading**
- **After reading**

Why use it:

- **Increases understanding of text by calling on the reader's senses**
- **Brings a text to life**
- **Prevents boredom**
- **Increases recall**
- **Increases performance on standardized tests**
- **Helps to determine if information is incomplete and helps to clarify information**
- **Readers who visualize can become immersed in the text**

Problems for readers:

- **Not visualizing**
- **Focusing more on decoding words**
- **Lack of background knowledge**
- **Lack of vocabulary**

Visualizing Components:

- **We visualize to predict**
- **We visualize to clarify something in the text**
- **We visualize the characters, person, or creatures**
- **We visualize the events**
- **We visualize the setting or place**
- **We visualize using our senses**
- **We visualize using a physical reaction (hot, cold, thirsty, upset stomach, etc.)**
- **We visualize using illustrations or text features**
- **We visualize to remember**