Asking Questions

Good Readers constantly ask questions before, during, and after reading. Questioning provides a purpose for reading and keeps the reader engaged in the text. It propels the reader forward to search for answers to their questions. Questions are answered many different ways: in the text, from prior knowledge, inferences, and further research. There are also some questions that are not answered.

**Before**
I wonder.......?
What do I think is going to happen?
What am I going to learn?
Why did the author choose this title?
Why did the author write this?
When did the story take place?
Who is the story about?
Who is telling the story?

**During**
What do I think will happen next?
How does the character feel?
Why did _________ happen?
I wonder why _________?
What would I do?
How is the problem going to be solved?
Do you think ___ should have ______?
Am I paying attention to the message?
Would I be friends with ______?
What might happen if _________?
What do I still need to find out?
Why is this information important?
Do I understand what the author is saying?

**After**
How did I feel when......?
What was my opinion of......?
When the author said __, I wondered....?
Why do you think the author......?
What was the main idea......?
Do I know someone like...?
What would have happened if.......?
Do I agree with what the author said?
Would I be friends with ________?
What might happen if _________?
What do I still need to find out?
Why is this information important?
Do I understand what the author is saying?