

Creative Learning and Teaching with Readers



Using readers in the ELT classroom: ways of activating learners

- Getting students into a story
- Reading to writing
- Reading to speaking

Getting students into a story

1. Choose and tell
2. Chapter headings
3. Listen to the first chapter
4. Students ask the questions
5. Students match blurbs and titles.

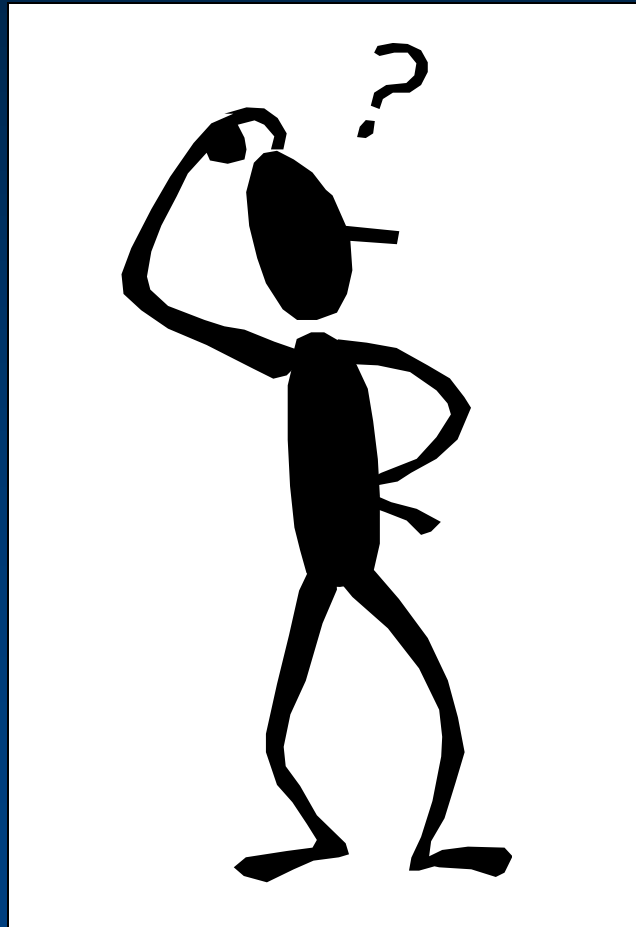
Reading to writing

6. Character description
7. Letter of advice to a character
8. Write a character's diary.
9. Write an alternative ending.
10. Write a short introduction for other students.

Reading to speaking

11. Why you should read this book !
12. Defend yourself ! (questions to the character)
13. Dramatise part of the story.
14. Role play an interview with the author.
15. Pyramid discussion.

What makes a good story?



A good story

- has believable characters who you care about.
- contains a dilemma.
- 'shows through action.'
- moves fairly fast.
- has 'hooks' which keep you reading.
- has 'page turnability.'

