

Concept Connector

Your job is to make connections between elements in the reading selection to your life, the lives of others, and/or from one character to another character. You can also connect to another text that is similar or different from this text.

Here are some ideas to help you:

- How do the thoughts, actions, emotions of a character remind us of ourselves, our parents, our friends, our siblings, etc.?
- How does the setting remind us of our own family environment, our community, or our school?
- Is there a connection between chapters?
- Are there any connections between characters within the book?
- Is there a connection between this book and other books written by the same author? Other books written by different authors?

Record your thinking in your Readers Notebook.



Instructions for the Concept Connector:

1. While reading the text selection use post it notes to mark connections that you have to the text. The connection can be to another text, another selection from the text, a character, to yourself, or to our world.
2. Once you have finished reading the selection decide on what you want to connect to and expand on it. In your reader's notebook write about your connection to the text. Ensure that you include evidence from the text and your own ideas.
3. If you have questions about the text be sure to record them and share during the "Book Talk".
4. When in your group, the Discussion Direction will ask you to orally share the detailed connection you made to the text.
5. When you are finished the "Book Talk" complete a Tweet response about one thing that you learned. Post it on our Summary of Learning chart or complete the reflection sheet about your role in the Literature Circle and hand it in.