Connecting

Connections are LINKS that readers can make between what they are reading and things they already know about. Good readers make connections to better understand what they are reading. We need to use our background knowledge and prior experiences to make connections.

This part reminds me of....
I felt like...(character) when I....
If that happened to me I would....
This book reminds me of...(another text) because....
I can relate to...(part of text) because one time....
Something similar happened to me when....

THERE ARE 3 WAYS TO CONNECT WITH A TEXT:

1. Connecting to Self (personal) (T-S)

“This book reminds me of my grandpa.”
-Is the book similar to your own life?
-Is the book different from your life?
-Do the characters, setting, or problem remind you of someone or something?

2. Connecting to World (T-W)

“This book reminds me of a movie I saw last weekend.”
-Does this story remind you of a movie?
-What does this remind me of in the real world?
-Is there an event in my community that I can link to this story?

3. Connecting to Text (books) (T-T)

“This book reminds me of the story, The Three Little Pigs.”
-Does it remind you of another story?
-Do the illustrations remind you of other illustrations?
-Does the tone of this story (funny, sad, angry) remind you of another story?