Metacognitive Phrases for connecting to Readings

Metacognition has been described as “thinking about thinking.” In the case of metacognitive reading, we think about the ways we think and process what we read. The phrases below can increase metacognitive reading, which can yield more depth and connection to reading comprehension. **NOTE:** These phrases can help when you are asked to respond to texts that are not easy to connect with.

***Predicting***

I predict….

In the next part I think….

I think this is….

***Visualizing***

I picture….

I see….

***Questioning***

A question I have is ….

I wonder about….

Could this mean….

***Making connections***

This is like….

This reminds me of….

***Identifying a problem***

I got confused when….

I’m not sure of ….

I didn’t expect…

***Using fix-ups***

I’ll reread this part….

I’ll read on and check back….