## **Characteristics of Proficient Readers**

## Successful Readers of All Ages...

- 1) use existing knowledge to make sense of new information
- 2) ask questions about the text before, during, and after reading
- 3) draw inferences from the text
- 4) monitor their comprehension
- 5) use "fix-up" strategies when meaning breaks down
- 6) determine what is important
- 7) synthesize information to create new thinking

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