

Here is a great piece of thinking and writing done by one of our Stage 3 students about the Reading 'Super Six' Strategy known as

## **MAKING CONNECTIONS**

### Text to Self

A text to self connection is made using your own experiences. When you are reading some sort of text you may come across something you have done or perhaps felt the same way that someone else in a story is feeling. This makes the story easier to understand because you have done or felt it before so you understand what is going on in the story.

An example from Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix:

Chapter 2, Page 14, Para 2. When Harry is feeling miserable and longing to see his friends after the summer holiday it reminds of the end of all my summer holidays when I start feeling moody and bored because my trip to someplace has finished and I just want to see my friends.

Chapter 12, Page 201, Para 1.

When Ron is told he has to stop his troublesome brothers he doesn't look forward to it. This reminds me of the time when I had to help out for the infants' athletic carnival and I had two naughty children that I had to handle.

### Text to Text

A text to text connection is a connection between two texts. You may notice two pieces of writing are very similar. They may have the same kind of character, meaning or setting.

My examples:

Chapter 11, Page 193, Para 3. The government is trying to force everyone at Harry's school to believe that Harry is a crazy boy which reminds me of Catching Fire where the government is forcing everyone to believe something that isn't true.

Chapter 28, Page 550, Para 1. When unpopular Professor Umbridge becomes headmaster of Hogwarts it reminds me of Alice Miranda Goes to School where they have the scariest headmaster ever.

## *Text to World*

Text to World connections are based on our world that we live in. Something you may read in a text may happen to be in our world. It may grow in our world or be a popular worldwide thing.

Chapter 3, Page 54, Para 2. They step out onto the grass. Grass is a commonly found plant and is a natural part of our world.

Chapter 10, Page 173, Para 2. Harry is reading a newspaper called The Quibbler. Newspapers are read all around the world and provide information on what is happening in the country or around the world.

That's how to make connections!!!

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