**General Questions When Discussing a Non-Fiction Book**

**RI.1.1 Answer questions about key details in a text / RI.1.4 Answer questions to clarify meaning of vocabulary words in the text**

**Before Reading the Book**

**1. Read the title of the book. Who is the author and illustrator? What do you already know about this topic? For instance, what do you already know about being a President or about starfish etc.?**

**2. Take a picture walk and preview the book. Look at the photos and/or pictures carefully and talk about what you think they are telling you about the topic.**

**After reading 1-2 pages of text**

1. **Find a fact/piece of information from the page(s) that you already know.**
2. **Find a fact/piece of information that is new to you, something you didn’t know before.**
3. **Think of a question you’d like to ask after reading the page(s).**
4. **Parents choose one word or phrase of words that they think is challenging and/or important for their child to understand. Give a short explanation of that word, using the context of the book or a different context. Then ask you child to tell you what the word means in their own words. This will help develop their vocabulary skills.**

**After reading the book**

1. **Talk about one new fact that you learned from the book.**
2. **If you could go to the library to find out more information on this topic, what would you like to find out?**

**Reflect on the story**

**What do you think is the most important thing you learned from reading this book? Tell why you think it is important.**

**Did you like the book? Explain why or why not.**

**Make Connections**

1. **What did the story make you think of? For instance, have you ever wanted to be a President or have you ever seen a starfish?**
2. **Did it remind you of another story you’ve heard or read?**