



Notice & Note Fiction Signposts

Utilize these signposts while reading to assist you in digging deeper into the text. Be sure to stop and ask yourself the question and truly think about your reading and what the author is saying.



	Contrast & Contradictions	Aha Moment	Again & Again	Memory Moment	Words of the Wiser	Tough Questions
Is ...	When you are reading and a character says or does something that is opposite (<i>opposite</i>) of what he has been saying or doing all along OR is different from (<i>contrasts</i>) our way of thinking.	When you are reading and suddenly a character realizes, understands, or finally figures something out. OR You as a reader have a sudden realization about something occurring.	When you are reading and you notice a key word, phrase, object, or situation mentioned over and over.	When you are reading and the author interrupts the action to tell you a memory.	When you are reading and a character (<i>who is probably older or wiser</i>) takes the main character aside and gives serious advice.	When you are reading and the character asks himself a really difficult question.
Ask ...	Why is the character doing that?	How might this change things?	Why does this keep showing up again and again?	Why might this memory be important?	What is the life lesson and how might it affect the character?	What does this question make me wonder about?
Helps You ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make predictions • Make inferences • Examine the plot • Examine the conflict 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn about conflict • Find theme 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examine theme • Examine conflict • See a foreshadowed event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examine theme • Examine conflict • See a foreshadowed event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examine theme • Make predictions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examine conflict • Make predictions