



Building Bridges of Understanding is a whole school approach to the teaching of reading. Its primary focus is the teaching of comprehension, with the ultimate aim of enabling children to become self regulated strategic readers.

The eight key strategies are: Prediction, Visualisation, Making Connections, Questioning, Clarifying, Determining Importance, Inferring and Synthesising.

This programme is currently implemented from Junior Infant right through to Sixth Class.

Each strategy is explicitly modelled through a think aloud process using high quality fiction and non-fiction picture books.

You can help by:

- Allowing time for reading everyday at home.
- Asking your child about the strategies above.
- Encouraging the use of these strategies when reading.