

Comprehension Strategies

First Read

Prompting

6 Asking Questions *As you are reading, I know that you are asking and answering questions. Who wants to give me an example of a question they have been trying to answer?*

Student Sample

Asking Questions *Where is the "Secret Annexe"? How will Anne and her family be safe there? I'll reread the previous paragraphs where Anne describes the building to help me understand the location of the "Secret Annexe".*

Reading 1.2

Word Knowledge

Hyphenated compound adjectives:

first-class hot-water right-hand



Teacher Tip ASKING QUESTIONS

Tell students that good readers keep thinking about the questions that come up about the topic they are reading, and they keep coming back to those questions. As they read, tell them to keep in mind the questions on the Concept/Question Board. Have them make notes to themselves in their Writer's Notebook about which questions seem really important and what information in the selections seems most important. Tell them that good readers are always thinking about what is important in selections, and they try to remember this important information.

warehouse door, and inside the front door is a second doorway which leads to a staircase. There is another door at the top of the stairs, with a frosted glass window in it, which has "Office" written in black letters across it. That is the large main office, very big, very light, and very full. Elli, Miep, and Mr. Koophuis work there in the daytime. A small dark room containing the safe, a wardrobe, and a large cupboard leads to a small somewhat dark second office. Mr. Kraler and Mr. Van Daan used to sit here, now it is only Mr. Kraler. One can reach Kraler's office from the passage, but only via a glass door which can be opened from the inside, but not easily from the outside.

From Kraler's office a long passage goes past the coal store, up four steps and leads to the showroom of the whole building: the private office. Dark, dignified furniture, linoleum and carpets on the floor, radio, smart lamp, everything first-class. Next door there is a roomy kitchen with a hot-water faucet and a gas stove. Next door the W.C. [water closet]. That is the first floor.

A wooden staircase leads from the downstairs passage to the next floor. There is a small landing at the top. There is a door at each end of the landing, the left one leading to a storeroom at the front of the house and to the attics. One of those really steep Dutch staircases runs from the side to the other door opening on to the street.

6 The right-hand door leads to our "Secret Annexe." No one would ever guess that there would be so many rooms hidden behind that plain gray door. There's a little step in front of the door and then you are inside.