

Narration Cheat Sheet

Basic Parts of Narration:

- > Read a portion of a living book
- > Think about how it relates to what you already know
- > Form opinions and connections
- > Retell what you've read, including details, connections & opinions

Sample narration requests:

- > Tell me all you know about...
- > Explain how...
- > Describe our trip to the shore, nature walk, etc...
- > Describe anything new you just learned from this chapter
- > Tell me five things you learned about...
- > Tell back the story (passage, episode, chapter) in your own words
- > Ask or write six questions covering the material of this chapter (good for an older student)
- > Draw a picture, map, or likeness of...
- > What did you learn about (this person) in this chapter

How to start with a book (grades 2-3)

- > Parent reads first chapter as a "freebie" (no narration required)
- > The following day, share the reading with student and student narrates the entire chapter
- > All other chapters are read silently on her own and narrated
- > One narration is recorded neatly by parents, student later copies it into her composition book over a period of three days

Narration Tips:

- > Help children give a more accurate historical narration by displaying important names, dates, and places for them as they write
- > Help them with science narrations by displaying scientific terminology to aid their writing