**Sentence Starters for Think-Alouds and Comprehend-Alouds**

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| **Think-aloud sentence stems** | **Comprehend-aloud sentence stems** |
| ***Predicting***   * When I saw the title of this book, I immediately thought of… * I predict… * In the next part, I think the author…   ***Clarifying***   * I was confused when I read… * I had to go back to page… * I had to think back to what I learned about…   ***Summarizing***   * I think this section is mainly about… * The most important point the author is making… * So I think the purpose of this article is…   ***Making Connections***   * This paragraph reminds me of… * The part I just read is similar to… * When I read this section, I thought of... * I think the author wants me to... | ***Word or Phrase Level***   * I noticed that the author uses the same word here… * I am not sure what this word means in the first paragraph, so I will reread this section… * I have never seen this word before. Let me see if I can figure out the meaning by reading ahead/looking for some examples/ finding an illustration… * The author begins the sentence with the phrase…   ***Sentence or Text Level***   * The author uses a very long sentence in this paragraph. Let me see if I can break it down into shorter sections such as… * In this section, I noticed some sentences are very similar, they have a similar pattern… * I noticed this section has a lot of dialogues and quotes, I wonder… |