

Readers Understand a Story by...

...giving themselves a comprehension check.

Who is in this part?
What just happened?
Does this fit with something that already happened?
...or is this new?

...thinking, "What mind-work is this text signaling me to do?"

MOVIE
Don't forget!
1.
2.
3.
4.

...predicting what will happen next, based on...

What has already happened.
What you know about how stories tend to go.
Emphasizing with the characters.

...retelling the BIG parts of their book that they've previously read.