**Title: Jordan and the Big Game Level: I**

**Introduction**: This book is about a boy named Jordan who enters a contest. If he wins, he can lead the soccer team on the field. Let’s read to find out if he becomes a winner.

**Vocabulary**: stands (pg. 2) jersey (pg. 8) captains (pg. 14)

**Comprehension Check**: Choose 1 or 2 questions to focus on.

Thinking *within* the Text

* pg. 2-4, process texts with some split dialogue, all assigned to speakers, (Can you see how the author is trying to tell the story through dialogue?)
* pg. 3 search for information in graphics (Why do you think the author included this picture? Does it help you understand the story?)
* Report episodes in a text in the order they happened.

Thinking *beyond* the Text

* Predicting: Predict what characters will do based on the traits revealed by the writer.
* Inferring: Demonstrate an understanding of characters, using evidence from text to support statements. (Why do you think Liam entered the contest if he was nervous? Why do you think Jordan chose to help him?)

Thinking *about* the Text

* What parts of this book help you to determine that this is a fiction or non-fiction book? Why?
* What do you notice about how the text and illustrations are laid out (paragraphs, ellipses, variety in layout, etc.)?

**Comprehension Strategies:** Author’s Purpose

**Word Work**: Words that end in –s or –es (plurals)