

**Guided reading--Predictions** I first saw this strategy in *Teaching Reading in The Content Areas: If Not Me, Then Who?* by Rachel Billmeyer (1998); she calls it a directed reading thinking activity).

Read aloud Ch. 7, pp. 69-70. Stop after the line, “*It was time to be on our way*” and invite students to make predictions. Continue with next four paragraphs (p. 71), stopping at the line, “*...I saw hundreds of white people, their bodies in motion, their mouths wide open as they shouted their anger*” and again ask for predictions. Give students the prediction handout and small Post-it notes and ask them to record their predictions as indicated on the handout.

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Before reading the rest of Chapter 7, locate each of the lines below and mark it with a Post-it note. The ¶ + NUMBER notation refers to the paragraph in which each quotation is found. Count each new indentation on the page as one ¶.

As you are reading, make a conscious effort to think about what you think will happen next. Take a moment to stop at each marked spot in the text and record your prediction before you continue reading. Write in complete sentences and explain the basis of your predictions.

p. 72 (end ¶ 5) *Breathless, I made my legs carry me quickly past angry white faces, dodging fists that struck out at me.*

p. 74 (end ¶ 1) *I was panic-stricken at the thought of losing sight of my guide. I ran to keep up with her.*

p. 76 (end ¶ 1) *I had to go out behind the school, through the girls' dressing room, down a long concrete walkway, and onto the playing field.*

p. 76 (beginning ¶ 6) *“Get inside, Melba. Now!”*

p. 77 (end ¶ 4) *I raced through a honeycomb of locker rooms and dead-end hallways.*

p. 79 (end ¶ 3) *Something was awfully wrong. It was written all over her face.*

p. 80 (beginning ¶ 7) *“Some of these patrolmen are throwing down their badges,” another breathless voice said. “We gotta get them out of here.”*

p. 82 (end ¶ 5) *I wanted to know what was happening to me. At least that way I’d know what to pray for.*

p. 84 (end ¶ 5) *I worried that they would come looking for us at our homes.*