**Expectations for Reading Workshop:**

* **You must read a book.** Magazines, newspapers, and comic books don’t have the chunks of text you need to improve fluency.
* Read as well and as much as you can.
* Read what matters to you. Don’t read books you don’t like.
* Try new authors, subjects, and genres.
* Develop your criteria for selecting and abandoning books. (We’ll do this together.)
* Keep a record of all the books you finish or abandon in your **Reading Notebook.**
* Read at least 20 minutes each night for at least 4 nights per week.
* Write a letter to me once a week. (I will teach you how to do this.)
* Make reading goals for yourself each trimester. (I will help you do this.)

**Work hard to meet your goals.**

* **Reading is thinking!** Read in a location with as few distractions as possible. Don’t distract others by talking or making noises.

