

Reading Strategy

PREDICT

When you **predict**, you make logical guesses about what will happen next in a story. Good readers pause to see if their predictions are valid. Then they make new predictions and read on. Predicting helps you follow the action, analyze the characters, and understand the ending.

Directions: As you read the story, pause to make predictions. In the chart, record your predictions and your reasons for making them.

My Prediction	Reason for Prediction
<i>Jimmy will keep cracking safes.</i>	<i>He has a fine set of tools. He needs money for nice clothes and a place to live.</i>