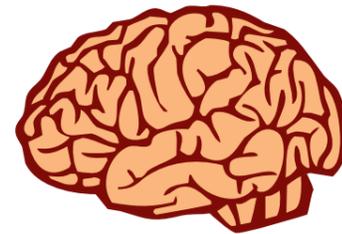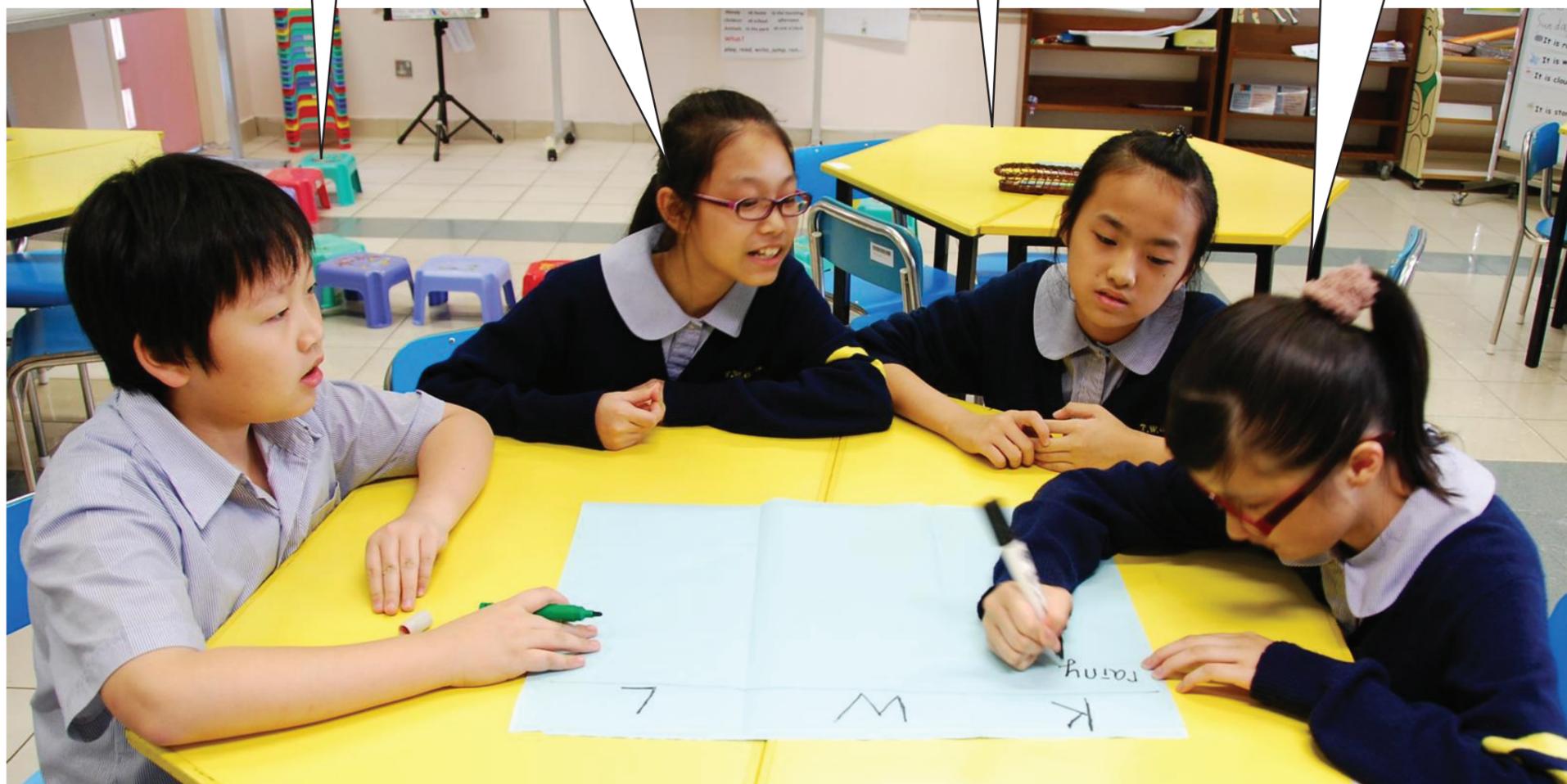# Use what I already know

What I already know helps me make connections with the text and understand what I am reading.

When I hear the word 'bears' I think about sharp teeth and claws.

The picture makes me think about the special food pandas need.

I already know bears like to eat fish.

I saw a show on TV about bears. They are amazing animals.

Good readers think about what they already know and build on that knowledge.