Lesson Focus/Teaching Point: Strategy Lesson – Stopping to Notice Thinking while Reading

[Book Talk]		
Mini-Lesson	Introduction	 This week in reading, we've been working on noticing our thinking when we're reading a story. Remember? We talked about how we have thoughts about the words and pictures in stories. Today, I'm going to show you how you can share your thoughts about what you read.
	Teaching & Active Engagement	 While I read this short story, Courage, by Bernard Weber, I'll stop and share my thoughts. You might even get a chance to share your thoughts. Read aloud the story, stopping in the beginning and the middle to share a thought. Place a sticky note on the page where I stopped. Write your thought on the sticky note or maybe a + sign (grades k&1) to show you've added a thought to the story. Toward the end of the book: "Please turn to a partner and share your own thinking about this part of the story." Listen in. Share something you heard while the students were sharing with each other.
	Connect to Independent Practice	 Being able to have your own thoughts about a book really makes reading books more fun! So, today, I'd like each of us to notice our thinking while reading the pictures or the words. When we come to a part when we say, "HmmmI'm thinking"Let's place a sticky note with our thought or a + sign to show you have a thought to add. You'll have the chance to share your thoughts at the end of reading workshop. Let's see how we do, because this will be a strategy we can use many times in our reading.
Independent Practice		
Closing		• Have 2 or three volunteers share the page where they placed their note and the thought they had.

Materials: Text, post-its"