Reading Decoding Strategies:

Give three prompts and then tell the word. Model the strategies aloud.

* Say each sound and blend them together (sound it out)
* Check the picture
* Look for chunks you know
* Get your mouth ready (Say the beginning sound, guess a word that makes sense with the story, then check the word to see if it matches)
* Think “Does that make sense? Is that how we talk?”
* Think about what would make sense with the story.
* Skip the word, finish the sentence, then go back and fill in the blank.
* Use your fingers to cover parts of the word and look for root words (ex: looking—cover “ing” to see look, then add the ending)

