

## Predicting



### What is Predicting?

Predicting is making a statement about what will happen in the future.

It is based on:

- What you have read
- Clues the author gives you (inference)
- What you already know (prior knowledge)

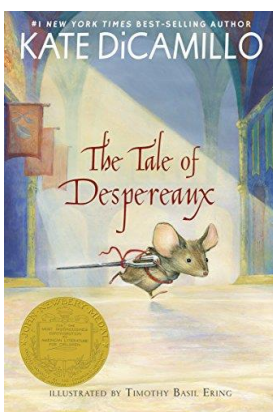
**It is not a guess.**

### What makes a good prediction?

- ✓ Evidence - because
- ✓ Finding clues from what you have read or seen
- ✓ Think about what might happen but also other features e.g. what language you might find, how it will be set out

I think that the next chapter will be about their journey to the seaside **BECAUSE** they are putting their bags into the car ready to go.

### Your turn:



### *Chapter One* *the last one*

THIS STORY BEGINS within the walls of a castle, with the birth of a mouse. A small mouse. The last mouse born to his parents and the only one of his litter to be born alive.

"Where are my babies?" said the exhausted mother when the ordeal was over. "Show to me my babies."

The father mouse held the one small mouse up high.

#### Predicting Stems

- I wonder if
- I predict
- I think that \* **because**
- I bet that
- I imagine
- I think \* will happen
- I think I will learn
- I think it will be set out
- The next part will be about

Using one of the predicting stems, predict what you think will happen next.