Connect & Wonder

Establish existing knowledge and define what you need to know.

This is a time of immersion, building interest and tuning in.

*What do I already know?*

*What do I need to know?*

This step may involve:

* Developing the skill of questioning
* Deciding on context, topic, focus (Given: by teacher, collaborative decision child-teacher, independent decision by child)
* Forming the ‘Central Idea” and developing the rich questions
* Constructing a list of key words useful for researching and important in developing general vocabulary knowledge in relation to the topic.
* Discussing the topic, brainstorming and clarifying known information.