Purposeful Reading



Common Text Patterns

- Discuss text patterns with students: Descriptive, Procedural, Cause/Effect. Chronological
- Show examples of each text pattern and explain why it can be classified as that type of text.
- Have students practice classifying an assortment of paragraphs by text pattern.
- As an extension, have students find examples in their text of each type of text pattern.



Note Taking/Note Making

From Reading

Summary/Outline

"What I'm thinking while I'm reading"

Thoughts/Questions



Paired Reading

- 1. Pair up with someone.
- 2. Designate partner A and partner B.
- 3. Partner A reads the first paragraph, then partner B gives a summary or main point statement for the paragraph.
- 4. Partner B reads the second paragraph, then partner A gives the summary statement.
- Repeat the alternating pattern until the end of the reading.



Jigsaw

- Form groups of students.
- Assign each student one passage, text section, or article.
- Direct students to read silently and independently, making a list of main ideas.
- After everyone has finished reading, students share what they learned while the other students listen.
- When the student who commented first on their reading is finished sharing, continue by having the students who read the other sections or readings to share it with their group.
- Continue until each person reports on what they read.
- * It often helps to have students take notes while their peers are speaking.



Summary Protocol

- Form groups of three students, one student is chosen to keep the group on-task.
- Read one paragraph silently (leader makes sure all group members know where paragraph starts and ends).
- Group discusses main idea(s).
- Group comes to consensus about one (or two) main idea(s).
- Talk about how to write the main idea(s).
- Each group member writes down the main idea(s).
- Repeat for each paragraph of the reading.



Really Reading

Name: Date: Period:	
Assigned Pages:	
Very Interesting Facts:	
Things I Already Know:	
Things I don't Know:	



I read, I thought

I read	I thought



Pre - Reading

Pre-Reading

Section Title (Color):

Heading Title (Color):

Heading Subtitles (Color):

Vocabulary Words and Definitions (Color):

Reading

Interesting Facts:

Things I don't understand yet:



Outside-Inside

- Read article silently (SSR).
- Form groups of four.
- Draw a large circle on the poster paper.
- Each person writes 3 5 ideas from the article on different post-it notes.
- Place the post-it notes around the outside of the circle.
- Read all the post it notes aloud.
- Select one post-it note from each person to put into the center of the circle.
- Discuss why central ideas were chosen.



K-W-L

What do I Want to Know?	What did I Learn?



Reciprocal Teaching

- Form groups of four, each group member takes a different task (role) Summarizer, Questioner, Clarifier, Visualizer.
- Read the first sentence aloud as a group.
- Read the rest of the passage silently.
- Work together to fill in the reciprocal teaching chart.
- Use the following role descriptions and summaries to help group members know what to focus on, be attentive to, or how to speak.



Reciprocal Teaching

Questioning	Clarifying	Visualizing	Summarizing
What questions arise from this material?	We'd like to know more about These ideas or words are new or this is what we already knew.	What might this look like?	The main ideas of this passage.



Reciprocal Teaching: Questioner

Helps the group generate questions to further understand the meaning of the text, concept, or data.

Sounds like:

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"How is this related to...(some other idea)
"What are some of the reasons this might this be important?"
"Why might this be important?"
"What are the parts of ____?"
"How is ____ an example of ____?"
"How do ____ and ___ compare?"
"How are ____ and ___ different?"
"How does ____ happen?"
"What is your opinion of ?"
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Reciprocal Teaching: Clarifier

Looks for parts of the text or material that are not clear, leads the group to clarify these parts.

CLARIFY parts when:

- Someone does not understand
- Someone has difficulty following the text
- Someone doesn't know what a word means

Sounds Like:

"What are the new vocabulary words and what do they mean?"

"Were there parts that were hard to understand?"

"So, right now we need help with..."



Reciprocal Teaching: Visualizer

Helps the group make a mental picture of the information or concept.

VISUALIZE a picture in your mind:

Sounds Like:

- "When I read this, I imagine that..."
- "As I read, in my mind I see..."
- "What do you see when you think about..."
- "Can you make a picture that includes all the information?"



Reciprocal Teaching: Summarizer

Tells the group the most important ideas in the reading.

Summarizing includes - Looking for a topic sentence; rephrasing the main idea; deciding what is not important;

Sounds Like:

- "The most important idea(s) seem to be..."
- "This section is about..."
- "The main idea(s) here is..."
- "This passage about ____ begins with ____, discusses the idea that ____, and ends with ____."



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