

COLLABORATIVE STRATEGIC READING

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Before Reading

Preview

Scan the entire passage before reading and think about what you already know about the topic.

Look at headings; words that are bolded or underlined; and pictures, tables, graphs, and other key information to help you:

1. **brainstorm** what you know about the topic?
2. **predict** what you will learn about the topic when we read the passage.

During Reading

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Click and Clunk

Identify words you know about and you don't know to check your comprehension of the text.

CLICK: a word, concept or idea that makes sense to you

CLUNK: a word, concept, or idea that is hard to understand and your comprehension of the text breaks down

Fix-up Strategies (fix the clunks):

1. Reread the sentences without the clunk word. Think about what information that is provided that would help you understand the meaning of the word. (look for key ideas)
2. Reread the sentences with the clunk and the sentences before or after the clunk looking for clues.
3. Look for a radical of a character within a phrase
4. Break the word (Chinese phrase) apart and look for the meaning of one of the characters

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During Reading

Get the gist

Identify the most important idea in each paragraph and re-state in your own words

1. What is the most important person, place, or thing in this section?
2. What is the most important idea about the person, place, or thing?

Read (Do steps 2 and 3 again, with all the paragraphs or sections in the passage.)

After Reading

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Wrap up

1. Ask Questions: Formulate questions and provide answers to check your understanding of the text. (Use **QAR** strategy to generate your questions)
2. Review: What did we learn?