

STEP-BY-STEP READING GUIDE

BEFORE READING (ORIENTATION)

- Look at the text and look for:
 - the title
 - the headings
 - the pictures
 - words that stand out (**bold**, *italic*, underlined, ...)
 - numbers
- **Predict:** I think the text will tell me something about ..
- What do you already know? What have you seen, heard or read?

DURING READING

- Read the text.
 - Think of what you already know.
 - Underline important words and **signalwords**. Pay attention to **connections** in the text.
 - Make notes and/or a key visual of the text. This helps you get a good idea of what the text is about.
 - **Generate questions** about the most important information in the text. Use question words: *who, what, where, when, why* and *how*?

When you don't understand a word ->
Use the word help on the other side.

When you don't understand a bit of the text ->
Read the difficult part again.

AFTER READING (EVALUATION AND REFLECTION)

- Was your prediction right?
- Can you make a **summary** of the text? Tell in a few lines and in your own words what the text is about.

WORD HELP

What can you do when you see a word you don't understand?

Read part of the text again.

You may find a word that means the same.

You may find a word that means the opposite.

You may find what the word means.

Look at the picture.

Maybe it has something to do with the word.

Look at the word.

Sometimes you already know part of the word.

Sometimes you won't be able to work out the meaning of the word.

Then you can ask somebody else or look it up in a dictionary.

Always check if the meaning is correct in the sentence!

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