

Reading Strategies

Before Reading	During Reading	After Reading
Preview the text – consider title, layout, topic	Highlight or underline key words or ideas	Summarise the content in note form by drawing pictures. Discuss the text with a partner or a group. Work together to identify the most important ideas.
Activate prior knowledge – What do you already know about this topic? What do you already know about this type of text?	Make connections with your prior knowledge – does the text confirm or refute what you thought you already knew?	Compare the text with another text, considering content and form.
Make predictions – what do you expect from the text?	Stop reading and review your predictions. Make more predictions or change your initial ideas.	Does the text end in the way you expected?
Try to identify the purpose of the text. Who is the audience?	Consider whether your thought on purpose and audience are supported by what you are reading.	Evaluate how well the text fulfils its purpose and meets the needs of its audience.
Ask questions – do you have any questions you would like the text to answer?	Try to answer the questions you asked before reading. Ask more questions	Create your own version of the text.