

Reading Strategy Notes

We use reading strategies to help us understand what we read. Using reading strategies requires metacognition.

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Metacognition:
thinking about what you are thinking as you read

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Reading Strategy #1: Make connections

Three types of connections:

- a. Text-to-text: relate the book to something you have read or watched.
- b. Text-to-self: relate the book to something in your life.
- c. Text-to-world: relate the book something in the world.

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Reading Strategy #2: Making Inferences

Definition: *To make an educated guess about what has/will happen by taking what the author told you and adding to it what you know about the topic.*

Formula:

What the author said + what you know = Inference

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Inference Example

Solomon wants to live more than he wants to escape. . .

- a. He has not tried to escape in over 7 years.
- b. Slaves who were desperate to be free sometimes died trying to escape.

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Reading Strategy #3: Asking Questions:

Definition: Think like a teacher and ask yourself questions as you read to check your understanding.

- Type 1: Who owns Solomon in chapter #1?
- Type 2: Why did Abram & Merrill kidnap Solomon?
- Type 3: Do Solomon and his wife have a good relationship?
- Type 4: Do you think it is selfish to only free your slaves after you die?

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Reading Strategy # 4: Make Evaluations

-to offer your personal opinion on the book or a part of the book.

Ex. I think this book deserves 1-5 stars because . . .

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Reading Strategy #5: Make Predictions

Definition: make an inference about what is going to happen in the future (in your book.)

ex. inference: Miller and Hamilton are not honest.
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 prediction: Miller and Hamilton (will) betray Solomon.

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Reading Strategy #6: Visualize

-to create a mental picture of what you are reading

Example: Imagine what he looked like when Solomon came out of the swamp.

Reading Strategy #7: Summarize

-to retell something and focus on the most important points

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Strategy #8

Use Context Clues

-if you don't know a word, use the words around it and your understanding of grammar to figure it out.

Ex. Solomon's wife was ^{Noun} in a quandary because she didn't know where to look for him.

quandary: a difficult situation

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My Reading Process Poster

Purpose: This poster will show us what goes on in your head when you read. It will help you recognize which strategies help you the most.

Requirements: This poster must use five of the strategies we studied in class. It must also include two strategies that you use that we didn't talk about in class. The poster also needs to have a **graphic or image** that demonstrates how you use the strategies. Write a paragraph that explains what your poster teaches us about your reading process.

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