

Reading strategies



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1- Skim text:

- **Titles** (Understand them **PERFECTLY** – they introduce the subject)
- **Subtitles** (Understand them too!)
- **Images** (Find some hints about the text)
- **Word bank / Glossary...** (Learn new words before you read)

2- Highlight **cognates** (*Scan*)

3- Highlight **words I understand** (*Scan*)

4- Now, what do I know about the text? (*Infer*)

5- Read the text and write a few keywords in the margin to remember what each paragraph is about. (*Take notes*)

6- Make sure you understand the **task / questions PERFECTLY** (*dictionary*).

7- **Look for** some words from the task / questions, in the text. (*scan*)

A few tricks:

a) If the text contains more than one **name**; highlight each name using different colors.

b) CAPITAL LETTERS in the middle of sentences
→ Names (a person, a place, a city...)

Words ending with **ED**, OR **ING** are often verbs

work**ed** → work

work**ing** → work

c) Words ending with **LY**– often adverbs

→ Naturally – Natural (*Naturellement - Naturel*)

→ Kindly – Kind (*gentil - gentiment*)

Talented readers can highlight words they don't understand and look them up in the dictionary!