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## BEFORE Reading Strategies


-  Think about what you already know on this topic.
-  Preview the text before reading, looking at illustrations, charts, headings, and bold words.
-  Think of questions about the topic.
-  Predict topic words you think will appear in this passage.

## DURING Reading Strategies

-  Consciously think about what might be important.
-  Use the pictures.
-  Look at charts, maps, and illustrations.
-  When you find challenging words, use what you know about reading -
  - ◆ Use the pictures.
  - ◆ Think about what makes sense.
  - ◆ Look at the beginning and ending sounds.
  - ◆ Chunk the word.
-  Make Connections.
-  When you don't understand, stop and reread.



## AFTER Reading Strategies

-  Think about what you have read -
  - ◆ What was most important?
  - ◆ Were there any confusing areas you should reread?
  - ◆ Are there any parts of the text you should mark as being most important?

