CONTENT-AREA READING

Dive deep into digital texts



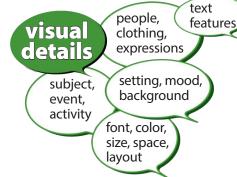
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Place equal value on all texts—regardless of medium or format.

Broaden the application of the Reading Voice.







STANDARDS EXPECTATIONS



CCSS R7 | Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.



- **K** | ...Describe the relationship between illustrations & text...
- 1 | Use the illustrations and details... to describe...

3 | Use information gained from illustrations...

- 2 | Explain how specific images... contribute...
- 4 | Interpret information presented visually, orally, or quantitatively...



- **5** Draw on information from multiple print or digital sources...
- **6** Integrate information presented in different media or formats...
- **7** Analyzing each medium's portrayal...
- **8** Evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of... different mediums...
- 9-12 | Analyze... Integrate and evaluate various accounts... told in different mediums...

Alter students' mindsets & mental efforts.

Overcome the various struggle points of readers.

BRING A CASUAL ATTITUDE.

- Equate to social media.
- Expect to be entertained.

SEE BUT DON'T READ.

- · Lack genre vocabulary.
- · Lack skills to analyze.







GRADES K-2

GRADES 3-12

DIGITAL PRINT TEXT

Target text-specific reading skills.

REVEAL COMMON **TEXTS**

- Facebook posts
- Popular websites
- · School LMS (e.g., Seesaw, Canvas)
- Epic
- Storyline Online
- CommonLit
- Newsela
- ReadWorks

IDENTIFY THE PURPOSE | The reading purpose impacts how a reader attacks a digital text. Provide explicit purposes for reading and teach students the habits that accompany them.

Personal entertainment is driven by choice. The reader jumps, clicks, scrolls, and lingers on features of interest. No specific information is being searched.

Technical reading requires precision and constant rereading in order to execute a specific task.

Research starts with a narrow search followed by an efficient skimming of information. Sift out the unimportant and closely read for the relevant.

Close reading utilizes multiple reads to gain a deep understanding of what the digital text says, what it means, and why it matters.

TRANSLATE THE TEXT FEATURES

Relate a reader's actions in print text to the moves in digital texts.

DIGITAL TEXT

Back Cover Title Page Table of Contents Index Glossarv

PRINTED TEXT

SPIN-OFF SESSION **CONTENT-AREA READING Session 3** | Text Features

Front Cover Homepage Search engine description "Contact Us" link/page Menu bar Search field/site map Click on word/hover over word Heading/Subheading Navigation bar/Drop-down menu Cross-references **Hyperlinks**

RETRAIN SCROLLERS | Frequently moving the text in small increments impacts comprehension negatively. Scrolling disrupts a reader's:

Mental Attention.

Cognitive energy is spent on determining Where was I? rather than comprehension.

Visual Attention.

Searching for the new starting point requires re-focusing and causes additional eye fatique.

Solution, Make one long scroll when the screen view ends to refill the screen.

LIMIT PERIPHERAL VISION

Although there are many "interesting" places to go, on-screen readers must stay focused on the the main text.

- Self-monitor the Distracting Voice.
- Avoid temptations by removing the clutter.
- Eliminate multi-tasking.

CAUTION AGAINST CLICKBAIT

The internet makes it easy to access information immediately. However, information overload can cause inefficient reading and poor comprehension.

- Read the main text before opting to click on any hyperlinks.
- These "sidebars" may add knowledge, but they can create a maze of information that impacts comprehension. It's easy to get lost in hyperspace!

TRACK THE READING JOURNEY | Digital text allows users to build their own text, creating their own route of information. Build a physical map to track information learned and thoughts expressed.



broke with the single tug the boy gave it from behind. But the boy's weight and the weight of the purse combined caused him to lose his balance so, instead of taking off full blast as he had hoped, the boy fell on his back on the sidewalk, and his legs flew up. The large woman simply turned around and reached down, picked the boy up by his shirt front, and shook him until his teeth rattled.

After that the woman said, "Pick up my pocketbook, 1 boy, and give it here." She still held him. But she bent down enough

VISUAL TEXT

Target text-specific reading skills.

REVEAL COMMON TEXTS

- Picture book illustrations
- Snapchat posts
- Instagram posts
- Facebook posts
- Maps, charts, tables
- Photographs
- Infographics
- Newsela
- ReadWorks

DEFINE RELEVANT DETAILS | Reveal the elements to notice.



People: expression, clothing, age, posture, position

Subject: physical characteristics

Activity: event, action, movement, process, system, steps

Setting: background, habitat, environment, objects, props, season, time, era, context, mood

Text: words, size, font, icons, labels, text overlay, scrolling text, superimposed text

Organization: flow of information, connection between ideas, relationship of information, layout of information

Design elements: color, font, type, style, lines, shape, size, proportion, placement

CLARIFY WHAT COUNTS AS EVIDENCE | Text details are concrete and can be physically touched. (Impressions, assumptions, or interpretations are inferences.)

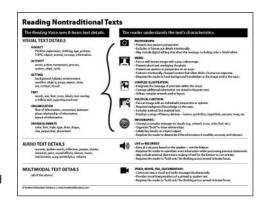




POINT OUT DIFFERENCES AMONG GENRE TYPES

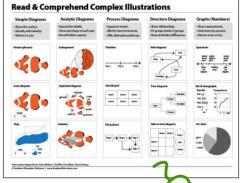
Provide instruction and experience reading various visual genres.

- Identify where the eye looks and how it moves through the visual text.
- Follow lines, arrows, and numbers to understand relationships and connections.
- Read labels of smaller parts, including words, numbers, and measurements.





CONTENT-AREA READING Session 2 | Subject-Area Reading







Collect research from images.



Add editorial cartoons to science & social studies.

AUDIO TEXT

Target text-specific reading skills.

REVEAL COMMON TEXTS

- Podcasts
- Radio
- Online radio
- American Rhetoric
- Audio books
- Interview (no video)
- Live speeches (with no video)
- Music/CD
- Reader's Theatre (no acting)

DEFINE RELEVANT DETAILS | Reveal the elements to notice.



Accents

Sound effects

Inflection

Spoken words

Silence

Pauses

Music

- Instruments
- · Stutter, stammer
- Sung words/lyrics

Pace

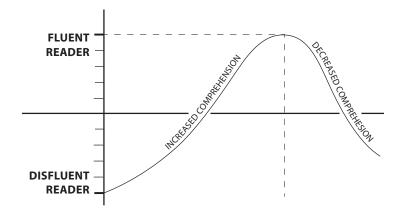
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CLARIFY WHAT COUNTS AS EVIDENCE | Text details are concrete and can be quantified. (Impressions, assumptions, or interpretations are inferences.)

DISCERN AUDIO AS A SUPPORT V. HOW TO READ AN AUDIO TEXT | Audio text *can* increase comprehension in disfluent readers. However, fluent readers need strategies to

move beyond the entertainment mindset.



TAKE PURPOSEFUL NOTES Increase concentration with a method of tracking details.

- Identify a listening purpose (e.g., reveal the after-reading comprehension questions before reading).
- Record details heard

 (i.e., Reading Voice) with
 impressions and inferences
 adjacent (i.e. Thinking Voice).
- Include timestamps.







Weave the what, which, & where into textual citations.

PLAN FOR MULTIPLE "READINGS" | Audio text continually moves forward, requiring the reader to assimilate more information while processing previous details.

FIRST PLAY | Listen for main ideas and details.

SECOND PLAY | Listen for specific details, key vocabulary, examples, anecdotes, and direct quotations.

THIRD PLAY | Listen for voice, delivery, and background noise.

MULTIMODAL TEXT

Target text-specific reading skills.

REVEAL COMMON TEXTS

- Commercials
- Public Service
 Announcements
- Ted Talks
- Documentaries
- Interview (with video)
- Movies, TV shows
- YouTube videos
- TikToks
- Music videos
- Animated video shorts
- Animations
- Interactive visuals
- Virtual tours

DEFINE RELEVANT DETAILS | Expect an abundance of details coming simultaneously

and via multiple modes.







UTILIZE CLIPS & SHORTS

Provide instruction and experience reading video clips— rather than long movies. This will establish repeated "reading" habits and allow for more experiences.





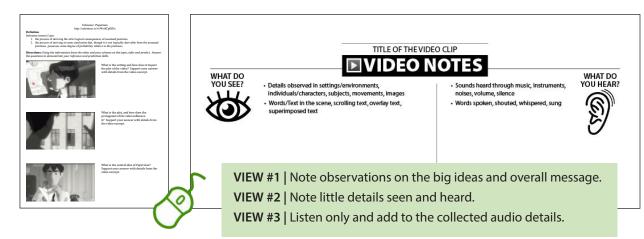






Where can I find sources for short videos for note-taking purposes?

CONTROL THE DETAIL INTAKE | Play a video 2-4 times, adjusting the viewing purpose with each "read."



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V. INTERPRETATION |
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