

pre-reading

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Pre-reading is a quick overview reading a difficult texts that helps you create a mental outline of the text. This prepares you to read more thoroughly. When you first learn to pre-read, it takes extra time, but after you have practiced the technique you can do it rapidly.

1. **Introduction-** After reading the introduction, create your own title for the reading that clearly identifies the main idea of the text.

2. **Bold words-** Read all of the bold words and choose three words from the text that you do not recognize, (or are used in a specialized way). After reading the definition of the word from the text, write your own definition or explanation. *Do not just copy from the book, use your own words.*

A) word: _____ what it means: _____

B) word: _____ what it means: _____

C) word: _____ what it means: _____

3. **Visual Aids-** As you look at the pictures and charts in this section, think about why the author included that picture, and what concepts they will help you understand.

4. **Headings-** As you read the headings and subheadings, think about how the author organized the information in this section. Check the box below that describes how the text is structured.

groups, types, or categories

sequence, cycle, or process

chronological events

compare and contrast

levels

description

cause and effect

other: _____

5. **Graphic Organizer-** What type of graphic organizer would best fit this section? Draw it below.