



Introduction

Introduction to Reading Comprehension and Writing Skills

Read the following passage and answer the questions:

Developing reading comprehension and writing skills is crucial for academic success and effective communication. This worksheet is designed to support diverse learners, including English Language Learners (ELLs) and English as a Second Language (ESL) students, in developing these essential skills.

1. What is the main idea of the passage?
2. What are the supporting details?

Reading Comprehension Strategies

Identifying Main Ideas and Supporting Details

Read the following passage and identify the main idea and supporting details:

The city of Paris is known for its beautiful architecture, art museums, and historic landmarks. The Eiffel Tower, built in 1889, is one of the most famous landmarks in the world. The Louvre Museum, home to the Mona Lisa, is another popular tourist destination.

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Making Inferences

Read the following passage and make an inference:

The student was tired and had a headache. She had been studying for her exam all night and had not gotten much sleep.

1. What can be inferred about the student's situation?
2. What evidence from the text supports your inference?

Writing Workshop

Writing a Summary

Read the following passage and write a summary:

The Great Barrier Reef is one of the most biologically diverse ecosystems in the world. It is home to over 1,500 species of fish, 600 species of coral, and many other creatures. The reef is not only important for the environment, but also for the economy, as it attracts millions of tourists each year.

1. Write a summary of the passage in your own words.
2. What are the main points you included in your summary?

Writing a Paragraph

Write a paragraph in response to the following prompt:

Describe a place you have visited that you found interesting or memorable. Use descriptive language to help the reader visualize the place.

1. What descriptive language did you use to describe the place?
2. How did you organize your paragraph to make it clear and coherent?

Vocabulary Building

Match the following vocabulary words with their definitions:

1. Persuade
2. Narrative
3. Analyze
4. Summarize

Definitions:

- a) To convince someone to do or believe something
 - b) A story or account of events
 - c) To break down into parts and examine closely
 - d) To give a brief overview of the main points
1. What is the definition of the word "persuade"?
 2. How can you use the word "narrative" in a sentence?

Scaffolded Instruction

Graphic Organizer

Use the following graphic organizer to identify the main idea and supporting details of a text:

Main Idea	Supporting Details

- 1. How does the graphic organizer help you identify the main idea and supporting details?
- 2. What are some other ways you can use graphic organizers to support your reading comprehension?

Sentence Frames

Use the following sentence frames to write a paragraph:

* The main idea of the text is _____.

* The author supports this idea with _____.

1. How do the sentence frames help you write a clear and coherent paragraph?
2. What other sentence frames can you use to support your writing?

Self-Assessment

Evaluate your own reading comprehension and writing skills using the following criteria:

- * Can you identify the main idea and supporting details of a text?
- * Can you make inferences and draw conclusions based on the text?
- * Can you write a clear and coherent paragraph in response to a prompt?
 1. What are your strengths and weaknesses in reading comprehension and writing?
 2. What strategies can you use to improve your skills?

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Developing reading comprehension and writing skills takes time and practice. By using the strategies and activities outlined in this worksheet, you can improve your skills and become a more effective reader and writer.

Remember to always use scaffolded instruction and ELL/ESL support strategies to support your learning.

