



Introduction to Active Reading

Welcome to Active Reading Techniques for Improving Comprehension and Retention! In this welcome pack, you will learn about the importance of active reading and how to apply it to improve your comprehension and retention skills.

Active reading is a powerful tool for improving comprehension and retention. It involves engaging with the material in a thoughtful and intentional way, using strategies such as previewing, questioning, reciting, and reviewing to improve understanding and retention.

Benefits of Active Reading

Let's explore the benefits of active reading:

- Improves comprehension and retention
- Enhances critical thinking skills
- Increases confidence in reading and learning
- Develops a deeper understanding of the material

Active Reading Techniques

There are four main active reading techniques: previewing, questioning, summarizing, and reflecting. Let's explore each technique in more detail:

1. **Previewing:** Looking over the text before reading to identify main ideas, headings, and visuals.
2. **Questioning:** Asking questions before, during, and after reading to clarify understanding and make connections.
3. **Summarizing:** Condensing the main ideas of a text into a shorter form to retain information.
4. **Reflecting:** Thinking about what has been read and how it relates to prior knowledge or experiences.

Previewing Activity

Read the following passage and identify the main ideas, headings, and visuals:

Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Sed sit amet nulla auctor, vestibulum magna sed, convallis ex. Cum sociis natoque penatibus et magnis dis parturient montes, nascetur ridiculus mus.

What is the main idea of the passage?

What questions do you have about the passage?

Questioning Activity

Read the following passage and ask questions before, during, and after reading:

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What is the author's purpose in writing this passage?

What evidence does the author provide to support their claims?

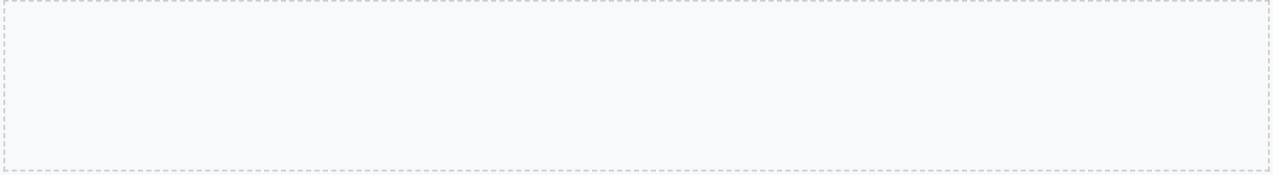
Summarizing Activity

Read the following passage and summarize the main ideas in your own words:

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What are the key points of the passage?

How does the passage relate to your prior knowledge or experiences?



Reflecting Activity

Think about what you have read and how it relates to your prior knowledge or experiences:

Individual Reflection:

1. What did you learn from the passage?

2. How can you apply what you learned to your everyday life?

3. What questions do you still have about the topic?

Conclusion

Review the active reading techniques and how they can be applied to improve comprehension and retention:

By applying the active reading techniques of previewing, questioning, summarizing, and reflecting, you can improve your comprehension and retention of the material. Remember to always engage with the material in a thoughtful and intentional way, and to ask questions before, during, and after reading.

Final Thoughts

Take a moment to reflect on what you have learned from this welcome pack:

Individual Reflection:

1. What was the most surprising thing you learned from this welcome pack?

2. How will you apply what you learned to your future reading endeavors?

3. What questions do you still have about active reading techniques?

