

Prior Knowledge

What do I already know about this?

- *What Genre or text type is this?
- *What do I already know about this subject/topic?
- *What clues are there in the headline/blurb/title/pictures?
- *What do I think will happen next?
- *What might this text tell me about?
- *Who and what is this text for

Paraphrasing & Summarising

Can I demonstrate understanding?

1. * Can I re-write the ideas into my own words to show I have understood what I have read?
2. * Can I make a list of the key ideas of the text?
3. * Could I identify and reject the unimportant details in this list to make it clearer

Inference

What clues are there in the text which can help me work things out about the person/ place /topic?

Consider the writers use of:

- *word choice
- *use of imagery
- *sentence structure
- *bias and persuasive techniques

Metalinguistics

Can I work out what unfamiliar or unknown words mean without using a dictionary?

Consider: Does it **sound like** any other words I already know? Does any smaller part of it **remind me** of words I already know?

Do the words/ phrases **around** this word help me to work it out?

Visualisation

What would be the best way to take notes/ display information to help me remember & understand this? Or what do the words help us picture in our mind?

Consider creating:

- *Flow-charts
- *Spider diagrams or mind maps
- *collages
- *storyboards/*detailed drawings

Main ideas

Now that I have fully understood what I have read, what do I think is the **main message** of the text?

Or:

- *What is the **theme** of the text?
- *What is the main idea the writer wants me to know after reading it?

And:

- *Can I **justify** my opinion

	*Detailed drawings	
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Find it – Prove it – Talk about it