

Role 1: The Leader

Your role is to organise the group and keep the discussion flowing.

- Help everyone to choose a role.
- Remind everyone what their role is.
- Introduce the text.
- Help everyone read the text.
- During the discussion, give praise and encouragement.
- Make sure everyone joins in.

Role 2: The Predictor

Your role is to predict what you are about to read.

- What do the group already know about this topic?
- Ask the group for one fact they know about the topic.
- Where have you seen or read this information before?
- What might be the main focus of this text?
- What do you expect to learn from reading this text?

Role 3: The Clarifier

Highlight any areas of difficulty such as:

- Words which are difficult to read
- Words which are hard to understand
- Sentences that are confusing
- Sections that are difficult to understand
- Share clues that help others to understand
- Ask others to help clarify what the writer means

Role 4: The Summariser

Your role is to retell what you have just read in your own words.

Summarising Techniques:

Divide the text into headings, main ideas, key facts, the main argument/s, the purpose of the text.

Can you summarise in 6 words?

Can you reduce the text to a tweet?

Can you give each paragraph a heading?

Role 5: The Questioner

Ask questions and encourage higher order thinking.

- Remembering: What are the main ideas?
- Understanding: Explain, put into own words, why?
- Analysing: Look for patterns in the text. Discuss, layout, structure, repetition. Make inferences: what is the underlying meaning? Is there bias or persuasion?
- Evaluating: Do we trust the author? How effective is this text in meeting its purpose?