


CLICK AND CLUNK

A 5-STEP READING STRATEGY FOR STUDENTS

STEP 1: PREVIEW THE TEXT FOR TWO OR THREE MINUTES.




- LOOK AT THE TITLE, SUBTITLE, PICTURES, BOLDED AND ITALICIZED WORDS. WHAT DO YOU SEE?

- ASK YOURSELF, "WHAT DO I ALREADY KNOW ABOUT THIS SUBJECT?"

- ASK YOURSELF, "WHAT DO I EXPECT TO LEARN FROM WHAT I AM ABOUT TO READ?"


STEP 2: GRAB A PENCIL AND READ THE PASSAGE ALOUD.

STEP 3: WHAT "CLICKED?"




• CLICKS REFER TO SECTIONS OF THE TEXT THAT ARE EASY TO READ, MAKE SENSE, OR "CLICK."

STEP 4: WHAT "CLUNKED?"



• CLUNKS REFER TO ANY WORDS OR IDEAS THAT ARE CONFUSING. CIRCLE THESE, PLACE A CHECK MARK NEXT TO THEM, OR JOT THEM DOWN IN YOUR READING LOG! NOW CONTINUE READING.

STEP 5: PUT FIX-UP STRATEGIES INTO PLAY.



ONCE YOU'VE READ THE PASSAGE AND IDENTIFIED THE SECTIONS THAT "CLUNKED," YOU SHOULD:

- REREAD THE SENTENCES THAT CLUNKED.

- SEARCH FOR CONTEXT CLUES IN THE SENTENCES BEFORE AND AFTER THE SENTENCES THAT CLUNKED.

- LOOK FOR COGNATES IF YOU ARE BILINGUAL.

- STUDY THE WORD PARTS. DO YOU RECOGNIZE A PREFIX, SUFFIX OR ROOT WORD?