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Reading Shorter and Longer Texts

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Shorter Texts

Characteristics

1. Can be completed quickly
2. Remembering is more likely
3. One can concentrate and give attention to details

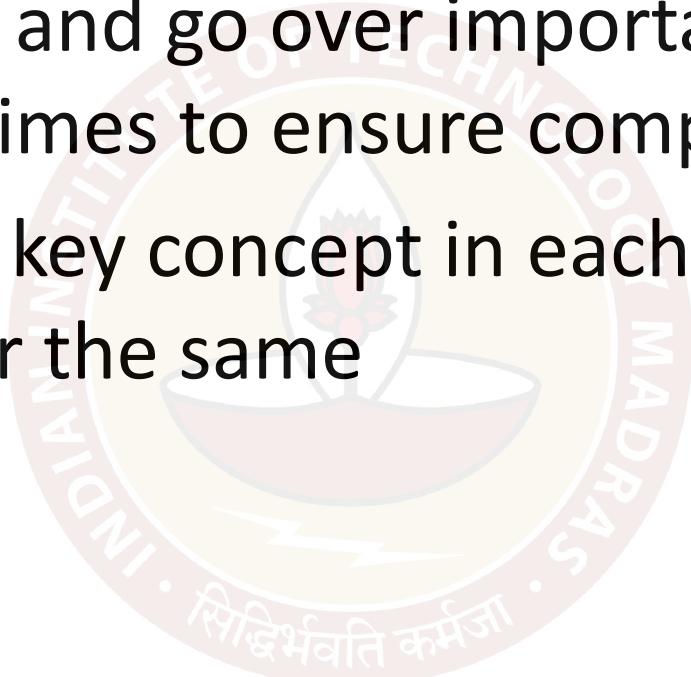
Longer Texts

Characteristics

1. Can be overwhelming in terms of volume
2. Long-drawn process of completion
3. Not easy to recollect
4. Can be more difficult to comprehend

Things to keep in mind while reading longer texts

1. Try to restrain from getting overwhelmed
2. Break it down and chunk it down into bits
3. Plan out a schedule for chapter-wise or number-of-pages-wise reading
4. Make notes, highlight, add comments
5. Identify and note: keywords, difficult vocabulary, important terms and phrases, significant diagrams etc.

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6. Understand and go over important sections of text multiple times to ensure comprehension
 7. Pull out the key concept in each chapter and make notes for the same

Thus simplify the process, improve comprehension and increase recall value

