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# **Reading Activities**

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#### **Acknowledgement:**

I understand that reading comprehension is a critical skill that can be used to understand a wide variety of texts, and it is important for students to be able to communicate effectively with others. I am grateful for the opportunity to learn more about reading comprehension, and I will use this knowledge to improve my own reading comprehension skills and help others to do the same.

### **Reading comprehension**

### Type of comprehension skill

There are four main types of comprehension skill

- Literal Comprehension
- Interpretive Comprehension
- Critical Comprehension
- Creative Comprehension

#### **Literal Comprehension**

Understanding and recalling explicit information directly stated in the text, such as facts, details, dates, or events.

#### **Interpretive Comprehension**

Interpretive comprehension involves understanding and analyzing the deeper meanings, nuances, and literary elements present in a text. It goes beyond understanding the literal or surface-level information and delves into the author's intent, literary devices, symbolism, themes, and the overall message the author is trying to convey.

### **Critical Comprehension**

Analyzing and evaluating the text by considering the author's purpose, tone, bias, credibility, and the overall argument or message conveyed.

### Creative comprehensive

Creative comprehension" is an imaginative and artistic approach to understanding and engaging with written material, encouraging expressive responses, alternative perspectives, and interactive engagement.

## Six rules of Skills for Reading Comprehension:

Decoding

- Fluency
- Vocabulary
- Sentence Construction and Cohesion
- Reasoning and background knowledge
- Working memory and attention

### What is Reading Comprehension and Why Is It Important?

Reading comprehension is understanding what is read. It is the reason for reading. When students have strong reading comprehension skills, they are able to apply their reading in meaningful ways. In other words, they can take the information they have read about and use it to answer questions, write opinions or even create something new. Readers with comprehension skills make connections with what they read, they think about the new information in a critical way and come up with new ways to use the information. Once readers move past decoding words, they can move onto making connections and learning from their reading.

#### **How to Improve Comprehension Skills**

Demonstrating comprehensive skills entails effectively summarizing, analyzing, and interpreting written content. This includes capturing main ideas, key details, and underlying messages within the text, and making logical inferences. A comprehensive reader can also evaluate credibility, recognize literary devices, and apply acquired knowledge in diverse situations, showcasing their ability to understand and engage with a variety of written material.

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