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What is your name and affiliation?
Jack Rieger, software engineer at design studio

What is your field of research or study?
Graphic design on the internet, focus how to teach designer how to code

Read the introduction to rTisane, making highlights + notes + connections as you go. Explain your process.

- I read through it the first time to try to understand the problem faced by the authors.
- I highlighted high-level sentences but ultimately reading back I am seeing that they are less relevant than initially thought.
- In a simple who-what-where-why-how framework, this first reading was understanding the"what".

Go back and reread the introduction, trying to answer the question: What is the methodology of the paper? Use the add read feature to make additional highlights + notes + connections with another color. Explain your process during this second read.

- During the second read, because of this prompt I was honing in much more on the exact methods the authors were going to propose to test their hypotheses.
- I wanted more detailed passages that I could refer back to later.

Do you think using this tool helped deepen your understanding of the text? How so?

- The tool has good features. I really like this functionality in the Kindle iOS app, so it would be great to have for research papers.
- It makes me able to re-read the most important bits in a faster way which would help me a lot if I had a bunch of papers to reference for my own research.

Did you encounter any difficulties using our interface?

- I found it hard to refer back to the full snipped I saved, since they get truncated. I feel like clicking on a node should reveal the whole highlighted passage, or the full passage should appear below the "label" field.
- White text on the pastel backgrounds wouldn't pass WCAG: https://webaim.org/resources/contrastchecker/

Rate the tool's usefulness and what other features you would want to see.

- 7/10 usefulness

Please take a screenshot of your highlights and graph to send to us.