



DHFS Reading Strategy

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At one magical instant in your early childhood, the page of a book—that string of confused, alien ciphers—shivered into meaning. Words spoke to you, gave up their secrets; at that moment, whole universes opened. You became, irrevocably, a reader.

Alberto Manguel, *A History of Reading*





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Why do we need to work on developing strategic and knowledgeable readers?

Recent studies reveal that 25% of 15 year olds in the UK have a reading age of 12 or younger.

The *Read All About It* GL Assessment study featuring over 370,000 secondary school pupils in the UK, found a significant correlation between students' reading ability and their eventual performance across all GCSEs....

To assess the degree of association between *NGRT* and grades in GCSE we use a measure called the correlation coefficient. The correlation coefficient will vary between 0 (no association) and 1 (perfect agreement). Correlations above 0.7 are considered strong; correlations around 0.5 and 0.6 are moderate and statistically significant. High correlations in arts subjects are not surprising. But the correlations in maths and the sciences also underscore just how 'text heavy' most academic subjects are and why literacy is so crucial. Even the more expressive subjects - art, drama, music - have strong correlations to reading ability. Creativity, in effect, will be enhanced by reading.

GCSE subject	Correlation
English Language	0.65
Geography	
Maths	
History	
Science Combined	
English Literature	
Drama	
Citizenship	
German	

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Reading proves to
be the master skill of
secondary school.
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Have a go at decoding the meaning of this text....

Brexit-Boris will die legendäre BBC zerschlagen

Der britische Premierminister Boris Johnson (55) sorgt wieder für Schlagzeilen. Nach einem Bericht der englischen Tageszeitung 'Sunday Times' plant Brexit-Boris die Zerschlagung der größten öffentlichen Rundfunkanstalt der Welt: der legendären BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation)!

Demnach erklärte ein Offizieller der Tageszeitung, dass der Briten-Premier, "sehr lautstark" eine Reform fordert.

Sein Plan: Die Pflichtgebühren für ein Fernsehgerät in Großbritannien (pro Haushalt rund 185 Euro im Jahr) abschaffen und durch ein "Netflix-Abo-System" zu ersetzen.

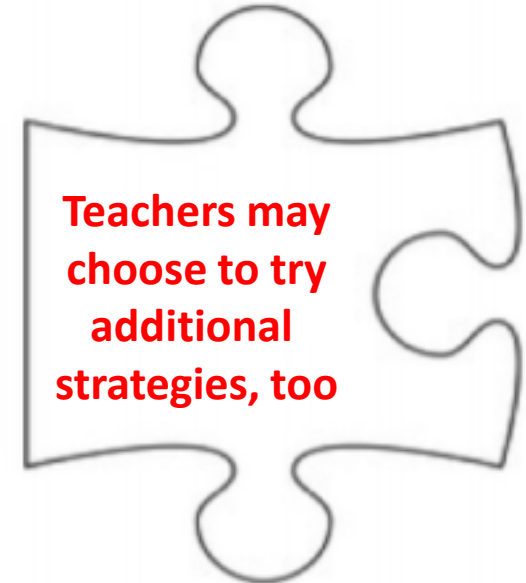
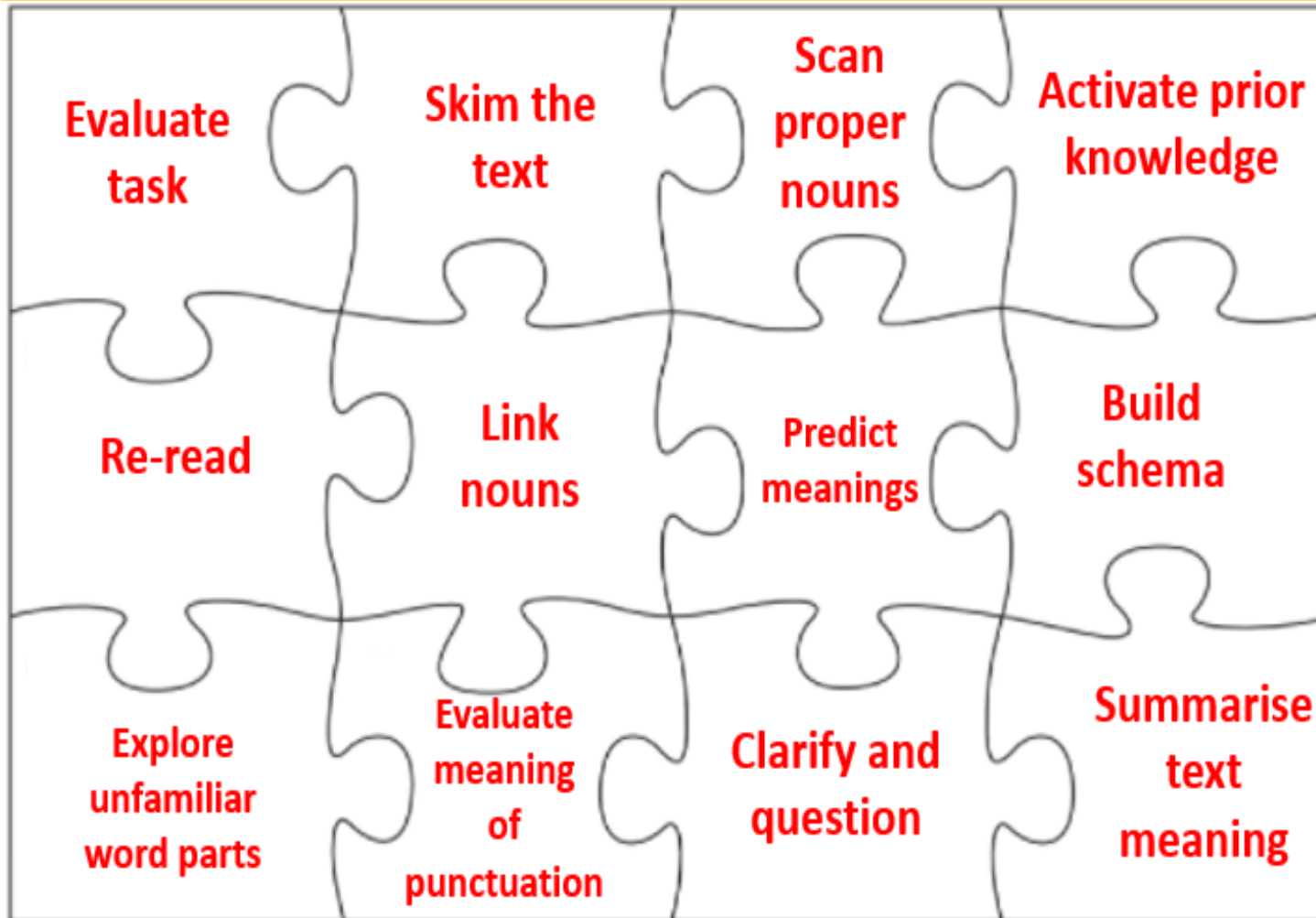
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Which strategies are we using today?

Use a range of strategies to help you...





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Developing Strategic and Knowledgeable Readers

Brexit-Boris wants to smash the legendary BBC

The British Prime Minister Boris Johnson (55) makes headlines again. According to a report by the English daily "Sunday Times" Brexit-Boris plans to dismantle the world's largest public broadcaster: the legendary BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation)!

According to an official of the daily newspaper, the British prime minister is "very vocal" on calls for reform.

His plan: abolish the mandatory fees for television in the UK (around €185 per household per year) and replace it with a "Netflix subscription system".

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