

INTERACTIVE READING TO IMPROVE COMPREHENSION

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Interactive reading is a highly effective strategy for improving comprehension skills in students. It involves active engagement with the text, rather than passive reading. Teachers may consider the following styles to enhance comprehension:

Encourages Active Engagement: When students interact with the text, such as making notes, highlighting, or summarizing sections, they are more likely to retain the information. This active engagement encourages them to think deeply about the content, aiding in comprehension.

Enhances Understanding: Interactive reading can help students understand complex ideas in the text. By breaking down the text and analyzing it piece by piece, students can better grasp difficult concepts.

Builds Connections: Interactive reading allows students to make connections between the text and their own experiences, previous knowledge, or other texts they have read. These connections can significantly enhance their understanding and recall of the text.

Promotes critical thinking: Through interactive reading, students are encouraged to question, predict, and infer, promoting critical thinking skills that are essential for comprehension.

Provides immediate feedback: Interactive reading often involves activities like discussion or answering questions about the text. These provide immediate feedback, allowing students to correct misunderstandings and deepen their comprehension.

Students may be given different avenues on how they will improve their comprehension skills in such a way that they enjoy the process while learning.

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