



Close Reading

First Reading: Get to know the text!

- Read text independently
- Underline key ideas and details
 - Ask yourself:
 - What is it about?
 - What are some key ideas?

Second Reading: Read with a pencil

- Teacher reads text aloud
- Code the text using the following symbols:

<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
	Important!
?	I have a question.
!	I am surprised!
	Unfamiliar word

- Ask yourself:
 - Did you see anything you didn't notice the first time?
 - What is the author trying to say?
 - Any other comments about the language or the author's purpose for writing this?

Third Reading: Dig deeper

- Ask yourself:
 - What is the meaning of the text?
 - What is the author's central message?
 - Compare the text to a different text, movie, piece of art or music, or other media?