

Habari's Literacy Helps

READING STRATEGIES

For Older Elementary Learners



Use the student's text book.

Strategy

1. Read the Table of Contents
 - a. Only for the needed chapter
 - b. What is it about?
2. In the Chapter (one-page)
 - a. Briefly discuss any pictures and their captions
 - b. What do they tell you?
 - c. Read the sub-headings for each paragraph on the page
 - d. What do you know now about the chapter?
 - e. Return to 1st paragraph to read and discuss/ponder the paragraph
3. Moving through the Chapter
 - a. Re-read your **next** sub-heading and **its** paragraph only
 - b. If no sub-headings, read the first two sentences

Repeat the steps with the student (2-4 pages, or 2-4 sessions as your time permits) to promote automaticity.

What this strategy does:

1. Develops background knowledge
2. Helps improve comprehension
3. Provides a strategy to tackle the assignment