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Critical Reading Strategies: SQ4R Process

What is “SQ4R”?



Survey,

Question,

Read,

Respond,

Record,

Review.

SURVEY [SQ4R]



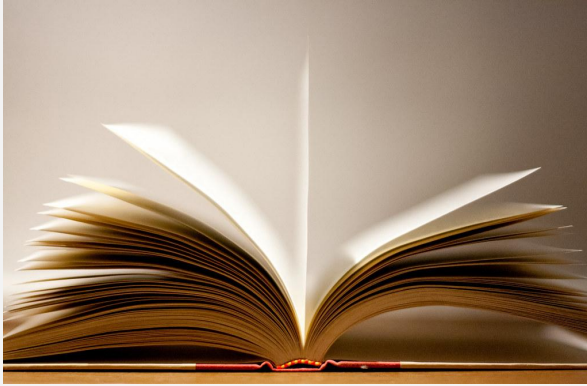
- Survey your start & finish line
 - ◆ Introduction- - - - -Conclusion
- Survey your points of interest
 - ◆ Subheaders & section titles
 - ◆ Pictures, graphs, charts
 - ◆ Bold or italicized words
- Survey the author's finale
 - ◆ What were her final questions?

Question [SQ4R]



- Question everything!
 - ◆ Use your survey from Step 1
 - ◆ Use the points of interest
- Investigative
 - ◆ Who, what, where, when, why, how
- Higher order thinking
 - ◆ Links
 - ◆ Impacts
 - ◆ Include/exclude

Read [SQ4R]



- Hunt for Answers
- Read Methodically
- How to handle confusion
 - ◆ New = Online search
 - ◆ Known = reference & review

Respond [SQ4R]



- Custom note development
- Answer your Step 2 questions
- Keyword creation
- Study guide created

Record

[SQ4R]

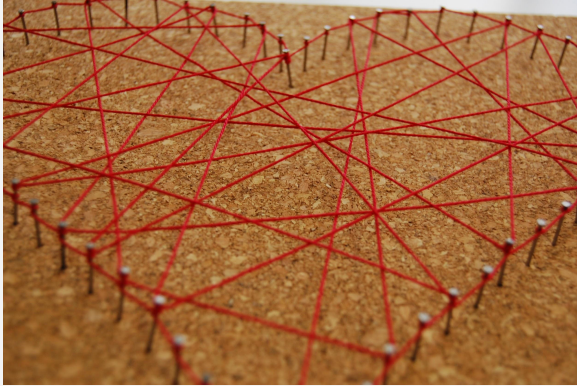


→ Knowledge Summary

- ◆ What was learned.
- ◆ Main ideas.
- ◆ interrelation/ correlation
- ◆ quotes/passages [cited]

Review

[SQ4R]



- Premade Study Guide
 - ◆ Steps 2-5
- Frequent, consistent review
 - ◆ weekly
- Connects lectures, notes, and readings

SQ4R Process



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