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Taking Notes with Non-Fiction

When good readers read, they take note of the information that they are reading. They use different strategies to help process and understand the information, making it important to them. Here are a few note-taking strategies:

* Summarizing main ideas
* Making connections to your life/ today’s world
* Identifying new vocabulary Questions you have that show what you are wondering about as you read.
* Observations about fact and opinion **(The author’s bias)**
* Observations about how the writer’s strategies (organization, word choice, perspective, support) and choices affect the article.

\*\*\*\*Anything that helps you connect with the content of the reading.)

Notes can begin like:

* "This reminds me of..."
* " I agree with... because…"
* " I disagree with... because…"
* " I like..."
* " I think that..."
* " I feel..."
* " I wonder..."

What the NOTES should NOT look like:

* I heard of that
* What?
* I connect with this (Tell why you connect)
* This word is tough (Give the definition of the word; look it up)
* Cool! (Expand your notes to be longer than a few words)

As of now, you are required to highlight at least 5 important pieces of information and make at least 5 notes while you are reading. 2nd Trimester those numbers will go up, so learn the skill now…it’ll be worth it.