

CLOSE READING GUIDE:

Code Annotate Respond

Student instructions for
Coding and Annotating
text as it is closely read.

Three acronym models for
responding to texts.

Coding instructions inspired by "AOW Instructions" by
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ABC MODEL FROM LARRY FERLAZZO,
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CODE As you read, code the text.

- ★ important passages, quotes, or facts to remember
- # new information
- ⊕ ideas with which you agree
- ⊖ ideas with which you disagree
- ? claims you doubt or find confusing
- ! surprise, anger, or other strong reaction

ANNOTATE As you code, demonstrate evidence of "Close Reading".

- Explain coding in the margins & between the lines.
- Do *not* repeat the meaning of the symbol, but explain why.
- Annotation can be words and phrases, and does not have to be complete sentences.

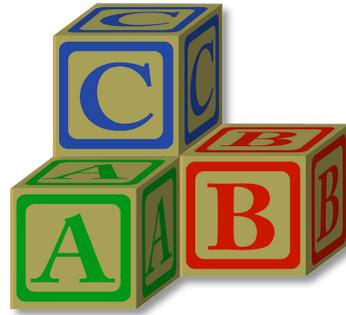
RESPOND After you've coded & annotated, write a response that shows evidence of "Close Reading".

Your teacher will give you the Response Requirement for each text: A.B.C. S.O.A.P. or R.A.C.E.

RESPONSE MODELS

ABC Model

- A: Answer the question
- B: Back it up with a quote
- C: make a Comment or Connection



S.O.A.P.



- **Summarize:** Summarize the information presented in a few sentences.
- **Opinion:** Do you agree/disagree with the author? Why? Use evidence from the article to justify your opinion.
- **Audience:** Who is the intended audience for this text? How do you know? (Is there anything in the text that provides clues? For example: Specialized vocabulary? Type of publication?)
- **Purpose:** What is the writer's primary purpose in writing this piece? Persuade, Inform, and/or Entertain. (P.I.E.)

R.A.C.E.

- **Restate** the question in your first sentence.
- **Answer** the question that is being asked.
- **Cite** evidence from the text. Use examples and evidence from the text to support your answer.
- **Elaborate** your answer by explaining further and using your own prior knowledge and examples from your personal experience.

