

# Obtaining Information Tools

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Mark up the text using one of the following methods. For example:

- Keep track of questions you have in the margins.
- Circle key words.
- Put question marks by words you want to learn more about.
- Underline main ideas.

### What are the main ideas of the reading?

Read for the gist--skim the title, headings, and images.

### What are the supporting details?

Identify the ideas from the text that support the main ideas.

What we are trying to figure out: \_\_\_\_\_

Obtaining Information Checklist	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Read for the gist--skim the title, headings, and images.</li></ul>	What are central ideas or claims being made?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mark the text.</li></ul>	Select methods for marking the text. For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Keep track of questions you have in the margins.</li><li>• Circle key words.</li><li>• Put question marks by words you want to learn more about.</li><li>• Underline main ideas.</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Examine any images, graphs, or tables.</li></ul>	Write one sentence about the central point of each image, graph, or table.
Evaluating Information Checklist	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Identify the claims in the text.</li></ul>	Were the ideas or claims shared supported by evidence? How so or how not?

Write your conclusion about the question we are trying to figure out here.

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