

S Q 3 R

SQ3R is a study strategy for managing, organizing, and comprehending new and possibly difficult material.

We understand that studying at the college level may feel overwhelming or intimidating.

The SQ3R strategy provides readers, writers, and thinkers with a few tips and tricks for reading anything from any genre.



Why Use it?

This strategy combines ASKING QUESTIONS, MAKING PREDICTIONS, SETTING PURPOSES, & MONITORING AND EVALUATING COMPREHENSION, which are the 4 Elements of effective learning

S Survey

1. Think about the title. What do I know? What do I want to know?
2. Glance over headings and/or skim first sentences of paragraphs
3. Look at illustrations & graphic aids
4. Read first paragraph
5. Read last paragraph or summary

Q Questions

1. Turn the title into questions
2. Write down any questions that come to mind during the survey
3. Turn heading into questions
4. Turn subheadings, illustrations, and graphic aids into questions
5. Write down unfamiliar vocabulary and guess at the meaning.

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Read

1. Read to answer questions
2. Respond to questions and use context clues for unfamiliar words
3. React to unclear passages, confusing terms, and questionable statements by generating additional questions

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Recite

1. Put their words into your own
2. Talk it out
3. Write it down

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Review

1. Look at the text one more time
2. Make sure your questions have been answered
3. Be sure to investigate any unanswered questions

