

Reading Actively

What is Reading Actively?

- **Reading actively is responding to a text and being an active participant in the reading process**

What is the point of Reading Actively?

- **Reading actively helps students become better readers. It leads to a better understanding of a particular text, and it helps students find the Main Idea**

What to do when Reading Actively:

- **Read the questions you need to answer first**
- **Don't Rush when you are reading**
- **Mark important parts of the text as you read and highlight**
- **Ask yourself questions if you are confused**
- **Clarify what you have learned**

How to Read Actively:

- **Use a pen or highlighter to underline important parts of the text, vocabulary words, topic sentences, and supporting details**
- **Write down any questions you have in the margins**
- **Summarize the Main Idea**

The Four steps to Reading Actively on the MCAS:

- **Read all the questions first**
- **Read the passage using the active reading strategies**
- **Summarize the Main Idea in your own words before moving on to the questions**
- **Answer the questions**