



Curious About Reading Strategies?

Comprehension

Connections

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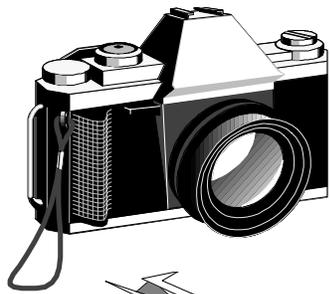




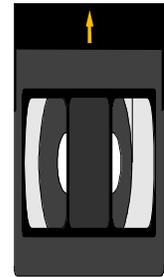
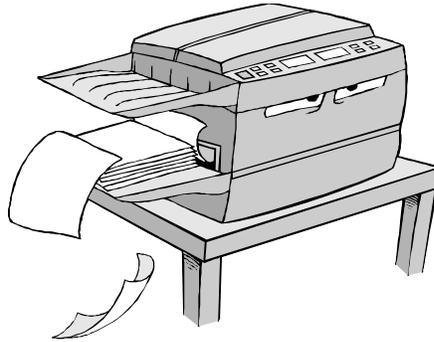
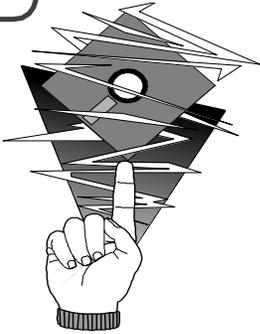
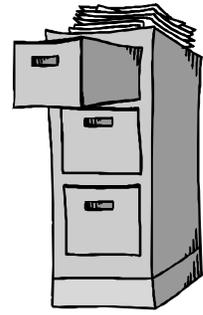
Now Presenting... The Strategy of Visualization!

You read for many different reasons. One of the reasons is for enjoyment. Another reason is to learn new information. New information is difficult for your brain to understand and remember **simply because it is new**. In order to help yourself understand and remember new information, you can use a comprehension strategy called **visualization**.

When authors write, they use words to describe information. You can change the information from words into a picture. A picture is easier for your brain to understand and remember. You can see the picture in your mind, or draw the picture on paper. At first, when using the strategy, it is necessary to draw and label the picture on paper. You can also use the picture as notes to help you remember the information later.



The strategy of visualization helps you record and store information in your brain as pictures!



There are four steps in the process of visualization:

- ◆ **Read** the text.
- ◆ **Picture** the information in your brain
- ◆ **Plan** how to draw it on paper.
- ◆ **Draw and label** the picture on paper.

Practice: Just Do It!

- ◆ **Read** about the granod.
- ◆ **Draw & label** a picture showing what it looks like. Use your own paper.

Granods

A granod is an animal. It has a long, oval-shaped body. The granod has a long neck and tail. The top of the neck, back, and tail are covered by a row of triangular-shaped plates. The granod's head is shaped like a long triangle. It has big eyes, and eyebrows that stick out. It also has big nostrils. Its body is covered with scales. The granod has four short legs. At the end of each leg is a foot with five long toes. Each toe has a sharp claw at its end. The granod has two wings attached to its body. These are located behind the front legs towards the top of its back. Granods may be many different colors, but usually, they are green and yellow, or red and yellow.