

Investigating *THIEVES* in Non-Fiction Texts

Keep these questions in mind when you read non-fiction!

Titles & Subtitles

- What is the title?
- Do any subtitles make the subject clearer?
- What do I already know about this topic?
- Does this topic connect to other ideas?
- Does the title express a point of view?
- Predict what this text will be about.

Headings

- Do headings tell me more about that section?
- What is the topic of the this section?
- Can I make a question from the heading?

Introduction

- Does the introduction explain what the topic is?
- Are there any bold or italicized sections or words?
- Do I know anything about this topic already?
- What do I think this is about by reading just the first sentences of each paragraph?

Visuals and vocabulary

- Are there any photographs, drawings, maps, charts, or graphs?
- What can I learn from these?
- Do captions help me understand?
- Is there a vocabulary list?
- Are there important words in bold or italics? What do these mean?
- Do I know the meaning of these words in the way that they are used in the text?

Ending

- Does the conclusion tell me what is important about this text?
- Are there questions at the end?
- What do I learn about the text from these questions?

Summary & Sidebars

- Can I summarize the main points of the article in 2-3 sentences?
- What do I understand and remember from the text?
- Did I read all of the sidebars and understand them?