**\*Reading Strategies\*/ \*Active Reading\***

Step 1: Read and re-read a text.

Step 2: Annotate the text, in your notebook, or by cutting and pasting the text into a Word or Google Doc.

* Underline sentences you feel are important, and put them in your own words (paraphrase)
* Write down main ideas next to each paragraph; be careful to distinguish main ideas from examples and details
* Circle unfamiliar words, look them up, and write down definitions
* Jot down your responses to the author's ideas-- what do you think? Do you have a question or response to what they wrote?

Step 3: Goal:  Write down 3-4 main ideas of the text, including what you feel is the thesis (central, overarching point). This will be your \*summary.\*