

Homework: Article of the Week

Due: Every Tuesday

Instructions: COMPLETE ALL QUESTIONS AND MARGIN NOTES using the CLOSE reading strategies practiced in class. This requires reading of the article three times.

Step 1: Skim the article using these symbols as you read:

(+) agree, (-) disagree, (*) important, (!) surprising, (?) wondering

Step 2: Number the paragraphs. **Read** the article **carefully** and **make notes in the margin**.

Notes should include:

- Comments that show that you **understand** the article. (A summary or statement of the main idea of important sections may serve this purpose.)
- Questions you have that show what you are **wondering** about as you read.
- Notes that differentiate between **fact** and **opinion**.
- Observations about how the **writer's strategies** (organization, word choice, perspective, support) and choices affect the article.

Step 3: A final quick read noting anything you may have missed during the first two reads.

Step 4: Answer all informational analysis questions found under the assigned standard for the week and record your answers on your Homework Reading Response Handout.

Step 5: Record your nightly reading on the bottom of your Homework Reading Response Handout and have your parents sign each night.

Step 6: Turn in completed annotated article and Homework Reading Response Handout on Tuesday of every week.