

Reading a News Article

Before You Read

Work with a partner to make predictions about the news article you will read. Complete the chart below. After you read, return to your predictions and decide if you were correct or incorrect.

	Prediction	Was your prediction correct?
Based on the title and images, what is main topic of this news article?		YES NO because...
Who do you think the primary audience might be?		YES NO because...
Will you find mostly fact or opinion in the piece?		YES NO because...
How do you think you might react to the information in the article?		YES NO because...

While You Read.

Read the news article twice. The first time, try to enjoy reading and get the main ideas of the article. The second time, annotate what you read using the following notations:

- Underline the main points and note MP in the margin.
- Asterisk* pieces of evidence that support the main idea.
- Place a question mark (?) next to any points that are unclear
- Place an exclamation point (!) by anything that triggers emotion (positive or negative).
- Highlight in one color any words or phrases that you do not understand (maximum 10)

Answer the following questions:

What is the main idea of the article?

What are three key pieces of information?

What might the outcome of the new article be?

After You Read

- (A) Go back and decide if your predictions were correct in the *Before You Read* section.
- (B) Write five 'tweets' (140 characters) that summarize the content and express your opinion about what you read.