

## The Lexile Framework for Reading in Action

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### Anticipation Guide

- Pre-Reading
- During Reading
- Post Reading

**Description:** Anticipation Guides are an effective pre-reading practice used to encourage students to think critically about concepts and ideas they are likely to encounter in a particular text.

**How It Works:** Anticipation Guides are typically created by formulating a series of statements about a particular text. These statements, prepared by the teacher, represent the primary concepts, main ideas, or important connections a student is likely to encounter in the reading material. The students are then asked to rate their agreement or disagreement with the statements. This practice prepares the students for the reading material while simultaneously clarifying their opinions prior to engaging the text.

**How It Can Be Used:** Anticipation Guides can be used across all content areas.

- ◆ May be used as preliminary discussion or as a way to introduce a text, article, essay, play, novel, or unit.
- ◆ May be used for clarification and closure at the end of a reading assignment.
- ◆ The task may be designed for increased difficulty by requiring students to create their own statements about the reading material based upon a list of themes.
- ◆ Offers students an opportunity to reevaluate pre-existing opinions after reading the text.