

Close Reading

Holiday Books

Title: _____

The purpose of this text is to _____

Read the text.

1.

- Think: What is this text mostly about?
- Discuss: Share your thoughts with your partner.



Read the text again.

2.

- Underline or write down the key sentences in each paragraph in red.
- Underline or write down dialogue or actions that help you understand a character or a story event better in blue.
- Circle or write down 3-5 key words in each paragraph.

Go back to the text again, looking for evidence you can use in a discussion about important story elements such as:

3.

- Setting
- Main and secondary characters and their role in the story (antagonist, protagonist, etc.)
- Problem/solution
- Key events

The take-away message from this story is: _____
