

Talking to the Text (T4)

- Strategy used to help you comprehend (learn and understand) readings
- Good readers “talk to the text” in their heads
- Practicing it by writing it out teaches us to do it in our heads
- Follow these steps to do:
 1. Begin reading the passage
 2. Highlight or circle words or phrases you can identify with
 3. In the margins, make notes, ask questions, make comments, and make predictions
 4. Think about these things:
 - Connections you can make to what you know
 - what you wonder about as you read
 - Words, phrases, or sentences that you find interesting
 - Questions about or wanting additional information
- Using the T4 strategy helps you understand and remember your readings