

Reading Purpose(s): _____

Visual & Technical Reading

ThinkSheet for Interpret Graphics

Stage	Task (Modify to fit text and purpose)	Practice
BEFORE	<p>__ 1. Preview chapter. How did you?</p> <p>__ 2. Interpret several easy graphics along the way. Which?</p> <p>__ 3. Decide role of graphics. Explain.</p>	
DURING	<p>__ 1. Select an important graphic for careful reading, p. ____ Why this one?</p> <p>__ 2. Look at title and predict the purpose and meaning of this graphic.</p> <p>__ 3. Look at whole graphic. How is it structured to communicate information?</p> <p>__ 4. FOCUS ON EACH PART: Study each, one at a time. What can you say about each? In the practice column, write about one of the parts.</p> <p>__ 5. RELATE EACH PART TO SEVERAL OTHER PARTS of the graphic. Show your practice doing this.</p> <p>__ 6. RELATE EACH PART TO THE WHOLE GRAPHIC. Show your practice for at least one part here.</p> <p>__ 7. CREATE YOUR INTERPRETATION OF THE GRAPHIC. Write the “take away message” of the graphic. Relate it to the whole chapter.</p> <p>__ 8. Identify any remaining trouble spots.</p>	
AFTER	<p>__ 1. After reading the entire text according to your purposes, review the text and each graphic as you come to it</p> <p>__ 2. Explain the graphics that were the most challenging for you.</p>	

Record *Visual & Technical Reading* on the DURING line of your reading log. In the right-hand column, reflect how using this strategy played a role in the meaning you constructed from this text.