Reading Strategies

What should we do before the reading?

“What is it?”

* Is it a short story? What would a reader get out of a short story?
* Is it an instructional manual? What would I get out of it?

What does it look like?

* What does it remind you of?
* Can you recall any previous experience that might help you to comprehend?

An example of this is when I started putting together cabinets for my father. Pieces I had never seen before, took me a long time the first time. But after that I could recall the experience, helped my reading drastically.

Use this Chart

Items to check out Record Information and /or Reaction

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| Title: predictions, questions, clues, or connections? |  |
| Author: familiar with? Still living? Interesting Facts? |  |
| Art Work on the Cover:  Any clues? Possible symbolism? Predictions? |  |
| Blurb on the back: Interesting facts? Descriptive words that catch your attention? Any predictions? |  |
| Table of Contents:  Chapter titles catch your attention? Predictions? |  |