# Assessment of Reading Strategies

**Print this form if you want to write notes while you read the text online.**

This activity is an assessment of your reading strategies with an unfamiliar text. The questions are aimed towards noticing your focus, comprehension, and strategies for getting through a tough reading.

* Type your answers as a Word.doc or Google.doc and submit on Canvas.
* Write at least two complete sentences per question to be eligible for full credit.
* Answer the questions in a numbered format.

PART I: READING PROCESS

Article Title & Author: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. About how much time did you spend reading this article, **not** including time spent on answering these questions?
2. Describe how you read: did you preview & skim the article first, or read straight through and go back to re-read some areas? Did you notice when you were distracted or when you paused to reflect?
3. Describe what you were thinking as you were reading: 1-2 examples / details:
4. Describe what you did to help understand the reading or to keep your mind focused on it.
5. Describe the kinds of notations, if any, you made on the article or other ways you highlighted information that grabbed your attention.
6. What questions came to mind as you were reading?

PART II: SELF-ASSESSMENT:

1. Please *describe* specifically anything that made reading this essay difficult. For example, did you find the subject interesting? Was any of the vocabulary challenging or unfamiliar? How well could you follow the writer’s reasoning?

For the next two questions, describe your answer:

1. If this reading were for an exam, requiring you to answer questions about the author’s point-of-view, opinion, and the content:

On a scale of 1-5, how confident would you be that you could answer the questions?

1 = Not confident / anxious 3 = Fairly confident 5 = Very confident / no anxiety

1. On a scale of one to five, how well would you say you understood this piece?

 1 = Not very well 3 = Mostly 5 = Completely

PART III: SUMMARY: In 4-5 complete sentences, answer these two questions to the best of your ability: What point that the writer conveys seems most compelling to you? How would you describe the topic the writer explores?