

Plan with the PQROST structure.

P: Preview

How will you introduce the topic?

Q: Question

What's the big question?

See the national and Illinois standards for social studies or science.

Students can construct questions themselves!

R: Read

How will students read thoughtfully?

Use the Common Core Informational Text standards.

O: Organize

How will students organize what they learn?

Consider using a graphic organizer or two that will scaffold students' learning.

S: Summarize/synthesize

How will students summarize/synthesize what they learn?

Use the Common Core writing standards to identify an appropriate format.

Then use the Common Core and Illinois Writing Standards to guide students to write appropriately.

T: Tell

How will students present what they learned?

Ideally, students will include drawings and graphic organizers that help communicate their ideas just as the writer of an article does.