Progressive Teachers Guide Strategic Readers to Learn More

You can emphasize one strategy or skill to strengthen it, but that development should take place in context—within the reading process. For example, you can emphasize making predictions, but that should be in context—first you “get it”, then you infer, then you keep thinking...

Focus
✓ Establish a purpose for reading.
✓ Focus on the reading.
✓ Skim a text to identify patterns and kinds of content.

Get it
✓ Use structure of text to figure out what’s important.
✓ Check understanding.
✓ Adjust reading rate to level of text difficulty.
✓ Re-read to find information, check meaning.
✓ Scan a text to locate information.
✓ Collect information related to a topic or question.

Think More
✓ Ask t questions as you read.
✓ Paraphrase.
✓ Make mental pictures as you read.
✓ Predict.
✓ Read ahead.

Think It Through
✓ Identify purpose and viewpoint of the writer.
✓ Evaluate information and ideas.
✓ Summarize the reading.

Get It Together
✓ Connect ideas and information from different sources.

Get It Across
✓ Write to tell what you think.