

Reading Means Slaying the Confusion Dragon

When we read, the most important thing is to make sense of the words and the graphics on the page or screen. If we cannot hear the voice inside our heads, if we lose track of the story, or if we don't understand the information, we must use fix-up options to get back our comprehension. There are sixteen fix-up options, including rereading and reading ahead. Some of the reading strategies we've learned can be used as fix-up options, including making connections, visualizing, asking questions, making predictions and inferences, and determining the main ideas. It's also okay to ask for help if you get stuck. If you don't know the meaning behind the words you're reading, unsheathe your vorpals sword, and use fix-up options to slay the confusion dragon!