

IMPROVE READING COMPREHENSION & NOTE-TAKING SKILLS

STUDENT SKILL	PARENT FOCUS
READING COMPREHENSION SKILL <i>The T.H.I.E.V.E.S Technique</i>	<p>Pre-reading is a strategy for success when it comes to reading comprehension. It doesn't take much time but can make a huge difference. We use the <i>T.H.I.E.V.E.S Pre-Reading Technique</i>. See if your child can tell you what each of the letters in T.H.I.E.V.E.S stands for. (Hint: if they can't, this system is easy to look up online.)</p>
READING COMPREHENSION SKILL <i>The History of Thomas Edison, Part One</i>	<p>We worked on a two-part assignment about Thomas Edison to teach and improve reading comprehension skills. Ask your child what they did for this assignment.</p>
READING COMPREHENSION SKILL <i>The History of Thomas Edison, Part Two</i>	<p>We continued using many reading tools to improve comprehension. Ask your child about this activity and what they learned that can help them in school.</p>
NOTE-TAKING SKILL <i>Learning How to Take Notes</i>	<p>The most important part of note-taking for a <i>Skilled Student</i> is to have a system that works. There are many notetaking systems that work well. We teach "The Outline Method," which is simple and works well in most situations. We introduced the concept of having a system and how to break down notes into individual facts using note cards. Ask your child to teach you a few important reasons why taking good notes is important.</p>