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 **Seven Strategies for Success**

**If you are given a piece of literature or non-fiction with questions that follow,**

**these seven steps will help you earn all the points!**

***Fast Fact*: These are known as *COLD READS* since we haven’t seen the material before.**

1. **Read the directions and the title**

**This helps give us clues about the main idea and the genre.**

1. **Pre-Read Questions & Underline Key Words**

**We can be better reading detectives because now we know what to look for! This helps us set a purpose for reading.**

1. **Read the Text**

**Read once for overall meaning.**

1. **Re-Read questions. Read carefully for specific words** ***NOT*, *ALWAYS* or *BOLD VOCABULARY*  may be part of a question.**
2. **Play Process of Elimination & Take out the TRASH!**

**Get rid of the incorrect answer choices. Try to narrow down the correct answer and *the distractor*- the one that seems like it could be the answer.**

**6. Underline Proof and Mark the # of the question**

**This helps to PROVE why the answer choice is correct.**

**7. go back over questions & Answers**

**Look at questions you were unsure of or questions you left blank. Look over all questions and your scantron before you turn work in to be sure they match.**

**REMEMBER:**

 **TAKE YOUR TIME…THIS IS NOT A RACE!**