



Common Clues Strategy

Purposes:

Common Clues is a visual based pre-reading strategy most effectively used to prepare for expository text reading. Students use their schema to examine images for clues about the text or unit topic.

Materials:

Powerpoint or handouts may be created using images directly from a text (textbook or trade book) or generally in support of a topic. Images should provide increasing amounts of information and commonalities.

Procedure:

- Look closely at the following images. “Read” them for detailed information.
- What do the pictures have in common?
- What do you think the topic of our book will be about?
- Think/pair/share,
- Look at more images.
- Do they have the same things in common?
- *What is your prediction?