

Backup and Reread

Good readers will backup and reread if they don't understand something they read in the text.



What if I don't know a word I read?

- Reread the word. Try sounding it out a few different ways until it sounds right.
- Look for root or base words you might know.
- Reread the sentences before and after the word to help you determine its meaning.

What if I don't understand the text?

- Break it up into small sections. Reread 1-2 sentences at a time.
- Ask yourself questions as you read.
- Try to create a mental movie of what you think is happening.
- Talk with a buddy about what you are reading.

What if I get to the bottom of the page and forgot everything I read?

- Take a minute to refocus.
- Go back to the top of the page and reread. Pause every few paragraphs and remind yourself what you are reading.