Paired Reading: Developing Critical Literacy, Cross-Cultural Awareness and College and Career Readiness

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STEPS IN A PAIRED READING ACTIVITY

Learners…

❖ form teams of four
❖ complete pre-reading (schema building and vocabulary) activities.
❖ choose one of two complementary texts (2 A and 2 B in each team)
❖ preview texts and discuss critical literacy
❖ read texts independently and silently with the purpose of learning and sharing new information. Answer focus questions.
❖ pair up according to their texts: A-A, B-B.
❖ check understanding using focus questions to verify their own and their partner’s understanding of the text. (expert groups are optional)
❖ work with their team (A-A-B-B) and present their text’s information to each other using the focus questions as a guide.
❖ use information from the texts as well as personal experience, background knowledge as the basis of team discussion and completion of a group task dealing with cross-cultural issues, critical literacy or text content.

TYPES OF ARTICLES FOR PAIRED READING & SAMPLE RESOURCES

(All links accessed on November 4, 2016)

• Op Ed pieces (Pro/Con) (Search “OP Ed” and the topic you are interested in and you will find articles from US and International Papers)
• Articles on Cross-cultural interactions and issues https://www.culturecoach.biz/resources.html
• Different sides of social issues (list of issues at first link, sample short readings at second link)
  http://catdir.loc.gov/catdir/toc/ecip0516/2005018778.html or
  http://www.marieclaire.com/celebrity/#slide-1
• Articles on jobs, money and other topics:
  http://teenadvice.about.com/od/jobsmoney/tp/how_to_keep_a_job.htm
• Contrasting movie reviews: http://www.mrqe.com/ (Search engine for movie reviews.)
• Articles on scientific and mathematical breakthroughs:

** • Articles that can be searched by topic and lexile level and paired accordingly. Text-dependent questions included: http://www.readworks.org/books/passages/paired-passages
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Textbooks with Paired or Jigsaw Readings


Selected Readings on Reading Skill Development and Critical Literacy


College and Career Readiness Standards