**Beyond Access Learning Strategies: Reading**

KWL Chart

KWL is a reading system. It stands for: What I Know/What We Know, What I Want to Know/What We Want to Know, and What I Learned/What We Learned. This technique may be implemented by a student or with multiple students in a study group setting. A worksheet (see the next page) should be utilized with the student and filled out as follows:

* What I Know/What We Know:
  + - Brainstormed ideas.
    - Keywords, terms, or phrases about the topic before reading the text.
    - The brainstormed ideas organized into general categories.
* What I Want to Know/What We Want to Know:
  + What they wish to learn about a topic.
  + Turn these things into questions about the topic.
  + List these questions in the order of importance.
* What I Learned/What We Learned:
  + What they learned while reading.
  + If they learned what you wanted to learn.
  + Have students use symbols to indicate main ideas, surprising ideas, and things that are difficult to understand.
* How I Can Learn More/How We Can Learn More:
  + - New questions about the topic.
    - How the student can learn more and answer their questions which were not answered in the text.

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| **K**  **What I Know/What We Know** | **W**  **What I Want to Know/What We Want to Know** | **L**  **What I Learned/What We Learned** | **H**  **How I Can Learn More/How We Can Learn More** |
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