

Preview Reading Module Teacher Masters

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Preview Steps

1. Identify the big ideas.
2. Decide whether or not you know the meaning of each big idea.
3. Write the meanings of the big ideas.
4. Write what you already know about the topic.
5. Predict what you will learn.

TM#2: Demonstrate—Passage

A Texas-sized Kitty



Mountain lions are cats that can be found in Texas, but they are not your ordinary house cats!

Mountain lions are relatives of the domestic cat but are wild and much larger. Male mountain lions can grow to over 8 feet long and weigh up to approximately 220 pounds. Females can grow to be more than 6 feet long and weigh up to approximately 130 pounds. In appearance, mountain lions have a small head, a long tail, and light brown fur.

Habitat

Mountain lions can be found in parts of West Texas, the Hill Country, and South Texas. They are most commonly found in areas where large ranches are present. Mountain lions also often live on mountains and in **canyons**. Based on reported sightings, it appears that mountain lions are growing in number and spreading their range. However, only four attacks on humans have been reported since 1980, all of which occurred in West Texas.

Diet

Mountain lions are predominantly **carnivores**, hunting animals such as deer and javelinas. Sometimes mountain lions hunt larger animals such as bighorn sheep and elk. Mountain lions also eat plant life such as grass, but do so less frequently. Mountain lions have also been known to attack dogs and livestock when living near people.

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Date: _____

TM#3: Demonstrate—Preview Log

Title: "A Texas-sized Kitty"

1) Big Ideas:	2) Do I know what they mean? (yes or no)	3) Meanings:
mountain lions	yes	big wildcats
habitat	?	where they live
diet	yes	what they eat
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

4) What I already know about this topic:

I know that there are big cats all around the world.
I remember a news story about a mountain lion that
traveled thousands of miles.

5) Predictions:

- I think I am going to learn about where mountain lions live.
I got this idea from title headings subheadings illustrations other.
- I think I am going to learn about what mountain lions eat.
I got this idea from title headings subheadings illustrations other.

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TM#4: Independent Practice Answer Key

Part 1: Review the Strategy

1. What are the five steps of the preview strategy?
 - 1) *Identify the big ideas.*
 - 2) *Decide whether or not you know the meaning of each big idea.*
 - 3) *Write the meanings of the big ideas.*
 - 4) *Write what you already know about the topic.*
 - 5) *Predict what you will learn.*
2. Where do we get information about the “big ideas” in a text?
title, subtitle, headings, bolded print, and pictures

Part 2: Apply the Strategy

Directions: Read the following article and complete the Preview Log..



The City of Lights

Paris, the “City of Lights,” has much to offer its residents and visitors.

Paris is one of the most visited cities in Europe. It is also one of the most populated. Located in the north of France, Paris offers tourists many different activities.

The Louvre and other museums

Many people come to Paris to visit museums. The Louvre is one of the world’s most famous. Visitors can see famous artworks such as the *Mona Lisa* and the *Venus de Milo*. Museums with the art of Rodin and Picasso can also be found. The Museum of Modern Art is another popular tourist attraction.

Historical sites and monuments

Paris has many historical sites and landmarks. One of the most popular is the Eiffel Tower, which was built for the Paris Exposition of 1889. Another important landmark is the *Arc de Triomphe* (“Triumphal Arch”). This structure is a tall arch built to honor soldiers who died during the French Revolutionary War and the Napoleonic Wars.

TM#4: Independent Practice Answer Key (cont.)

Parks

Paris has many parks to visit. The Luxembourg Gardens is one of the most popular parks because you can rent boats, walk through gardens, and visit a palace. The Tuileries Garden is one of the oldest parks and has many statues. It is also the location of a large carnival every summer. Regardless of your interests, Paris is a place where there is always something fun to do.

Independent Practice Preview Log

Title: "The City of Lights"

1) Big Ideas:	2) Do I know what they mean? (yes or no) <i>Answers will vary.</i>	3) Meanings:
<u>Paris</u>	<u>Answers will vary.</u>	<u>a city in France</u>
<u>the Louvre</u>		<u>a famous museum</u>
<u>historical sites</u>		<u>places that were important in history</u>
<u>parks</u>		<u>green or natural spaces</u>

4) What I already know about this topic:

Answers will vary.

5) Predictions:

1. I think I am going to learn about (Answers will vary).

I got this idea from title headings subheadings illustrations other.

2. I think I am going to learn about (Answers will vary).

I got this idea from title headings subheadings illustrations other.