

# RCMS CLOSE READING ANNOTATION MARKS

Word

Underline powerful words or phrases.

Word

Circle words or phrases you do not understand.



Place a small check mark beside things that you understand and that make sense.



Place an asterisk next to things that are important.



Place a question mark by things that create questions for you or do not make sense.



Exclamation Points identify those things in the passage that surprise you.



Place an infinity symbol by things that you can connect to what you already know or your background knowledge.



Draw arrows to make connections to text or ideas.



Put numbers by arguments, important ideas, examples or key details.

## LEFT MARGIN

Put 'summary notes' of what you have read in the left hand margin.

## RIGHT MARGIN

Use the right margin to analyze what you have read...DOK 4.