

Non-Fiction Expository Text Questions

Type out complete responses to all questions on separate pages. Include evidence (direct quotes as well as interpretations), with specific examples from the reading to support the ideas in your responses.

1. What problem is being solved here? What question is being answered? Why should you care? How do or have the ideas in this reading impacted your life? Consider laws enacted effect on culture, etc.
2. What is the proposed solution to the problem or the answer to the question?
3. What type of evidence supports the author's claim? (Statistics? Examples? Expert opinion?, etc) Give examples of some of the evidence. How is the evidence presented, that is, in what order or structure? (Bulleted ideas? Rhetorical questions?, etc)
4. Who is the intended audience for the text? (Think about what changed as a result of the writing)
5. What is/was the author's purpose for writing the text?
6. As a result of having read this article, how could/would it impact or change a reader? How and why would a reader think differently? How and why would a reader act differently? (Include specific examples of what from reading has impact and why).
7. Why should you care about the issue or problem presented in this article? What impact does it have on your life? (Remember to get a little global/big picture here, while you may not be an illegal migrant worker, you do eat vegetables that they might pick or live in areas they might clean.)
8. If the author's proposal or solution were to be accepted and implemented by society, what would the consequences be? Who would gain? Who would be disadvantaged?
9. What other original idea do you have about reading? Did you like it (Why or why not)? Do you have a question unanswered? (What is it?) Etc.