



APPROACHING THE TEXT		What are my reading purposes? To examine how an author uses details to describe her life.	
Before reading, I consider what my specific purposes for reading are.			
I also take note of key information about the text.	Title: The Story of My Life	Author: Helen Keller	Source/Publisher: Doubleday, Page & Company
		Text Type: Autobiography	Publication Date: 1905
		What do I already understand about the text based on this information? This is written by Helen Keller about her own life.	



QUESTIONING THE TEXT		Guiding questions for my first reading of the text: What details stand out to me as I read? What is the author thinking and saying about the topic or theme?	
As I read the text for the first time, I use guiding questions that relate to my reading purpose and focus. (Can be taken from the Guiding Questions handout).			
AS I READ I MARK DETAILS ON THE TEXT THAT RELATE TO MY GUIDING QUESTIONS.			
As I re-read, I use questions I have about specific details that have emerged in my reading to focus my analysis and deepen my understanding.		Text-specific questions to help focus my re-reading of the text: What does Keller think of her relationship with her teacher?	