

Jigsaws:

The jigsaw strategy enables students to cover large portions of a text in a short period of time and underscores the importance of collaborative efforts. Using the jigsaw technique, individual students become experts on one portion of a text and then share their experiences with others in a small group.

Conducting a Jigsaw Reading Session:

- Select a text and divide it into portions that are equal in content weight
- Assign a portion of the text to each student
- Ask each student to read his/her text and take notes
- Ask each student to decide on the most important points to teach others who did not read that section
- Allow time for reading and preparation of presentation
- Following the order of the passage, have students share information about their sections aloud
- Encourage students to take notes on the presented material and to question each other