The 12 Systems of Strategic Actions

Ways of Thinking	Systems of Strategic Actions for Processing Written Texts
	Solving Words
Thinking	 Using a range of strategies to take words apart and
_	understand what words mean.
With the Text	Monitoring and Correcting
	 Checking whether reading sounds right, looks right, and makes
	sense, and working to solve problems.
	Searching for and Using Information
	 Searching for and using all kinds of information in a text.
	Summarizing
	Putting together and remembering important information and
	disregarding irrelevant information while reading.
	Maintaining Fluency
	Integrating sources of information in a smoothly operating
	process that results in expressive, phrased reading.
	Adjusting
	Reading in different ways as appropriate to the purpose for
	reading and type of text.
	Predicting
Thinking	 Using what is known to think about what will follow while
Beyond	reading continuous text.
	Making Connections (Personal, World. Text)
The Text	 Searching for and using connections to knowledge gained
	through personal experiences, learning about the world, and
	reading other texts.
	Inferring
	Going beyond the literal meaning of a text to think about what
	is not stated but is implied by the writer.
	Synthesizing
	 Putting together information form the text and from the
	reader's own background knowledge in order to create new
	understandings.
	Analyzing
Thinking	Examining elements of a text to know more about how it is
About the Text	constructed and noticing aspects of the writer's craft.
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	 Evaluating a text based on the reader's personal, world or
	text knowledge and thinking critically about the ideas in it.

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