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Strategy 1: Previewing Text Activity Guide

Part A: Answer the following questions BEFORE you read the text.

1. What is your purpose for reading this selection?

2. When you finish this reading, what will you do with your new knowledge (such as write a report, take a test, explain it to someone)?

3. How do you think this information fits with what you have learned before and what you will learn after reading this text?

4. Take a quick look over the text. What do you notice about the text's layout? What are the signal words that may give you a clue about what this text will explain? There are lots of dates in this reading, what would that indicate?

5. What is the topic of this text?

6. Add three to five words to the topic to describe further what this text is about. This is probably the main or most important idea.

7. Make a prediction about what this text will say.

8. What key vocabulary terms should you understand when you have finished reading?

Part B: Complete the chart below.

What I Know about the Topic	Questions I Would Like to Have Answered

Part C: Now read the text. Once you have finished, answer the question that follows.