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A graphic organizer for understanding challenging text, like legalese

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**DIRECTIONS:**

*Read the following Opinion by a Supreme Court Justice.*

*Anytime you reach a difficult passage / word, add it below. Before moving on in the text use the fix-up strategies to the left to see if you can better understand the confusing text. Once it makes sense (or clicks!) move on.*

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**Fix-up strategies...aka Clues**

1. Reread the passage, think about what makes sense
2. Read sections before and after the clunk looking for clues about the unknown and to see if that makes sense
3. Replace words you don’t know with synonym words that do make sense
4. Connect to background knowledge
5. Define/redefine the purpose for reading this text
6. Adjust your reading rate (slow down or speed up)

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