Week Two: Process Journal-Reading

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-How would you describe your relationship to reading? Do you enjoy reading?

-What struggles and what successes have you had as a reader? What are your strengths and weaknesses as a reader?

-How is reading different than writing? What is the purpose of reading as opposed to writing?

-What kind of reading to you do? Are there different kinds of reading? Why?

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