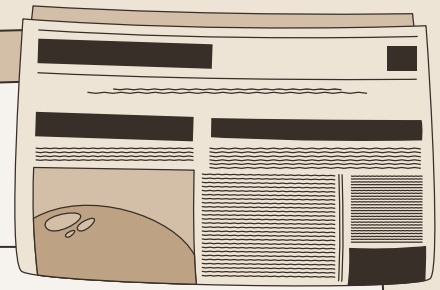


# How to... read an article



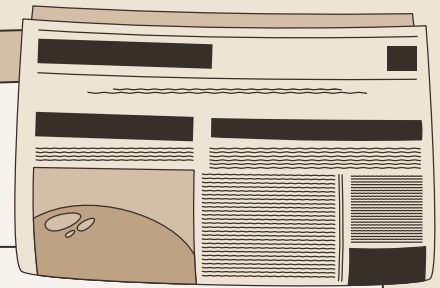
**1 – ANTICIPATE** > make inferences based on the paratext

**2 – IDENTIFY** the **focus** of attention (=topic) and the author's **stance** > 1st and last sentences / paragraphs

**3 – READ** > verify the thesis and spot the arguments

**4 – REPHRASE** the author's stance and **characterize the tone** and **react**: is the argument compelling? Why (not)?

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- **Source** > ideological standpoint? Information about the author?
- **Nature** > *review; opinion piece = editorial/leader or op-ed; factual outline of issue, fact-and-opinion based article etc.*
- **Focus of attention** > one or several topics or issues;
- **Opinion:** moderate / balanced / fair OR excessive / damning ...

*to praise / to defend / to promote*      VS      *to criticize / to denounce / to warn*

- **Tone** > *critical; neutral; pathetic; funny; satirical; dramatic; sensationalist*