

## Prediction Matrix

This task is designed to generate background knowledge and questions before reading a topic. By collaboratively sharing their predictions, students build a larger base of knowledge to prepare them for the reading assignment. The teacher distributes the "prediction matrix". Students skim and scan the assigned reading. They make individual predictions of what they will read about. They also record any questions they may have about what they will read.

Students then share what they learned in a Round Robin format. As students share, the others in the group either check off the same predictions that were made or they add novel predictions that they learned from the other students in the boxes on the right. After sharing, each group discusses the questions and tries to answer them. After a short amount of time, the teacher asks students to share their predictions and questions with the whole class.

The diagram below is an example of a prediction matrix:

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My Predictions and Questions	My Group's Predictions and Questions
Questions we all still have after our group discussion:	

Scaffolding: Schema building



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