

Numbered Heads Together

Directions:

Have students “number off” in groups of 4. Provide each student with a copy of the text page entitled “Photosynthesis”. Instruct student groups to read orally “Round Robin” style, paragraph-by-paragraph.

When all groups have completed the reading activity, instruct students that you will be asking questions that can be answered by referring to the text just read. You may collect the text sheets or leave them for groups to reference depending on your teaching goals.

Call a number to alert members of each group who will be responsible for providing the answer. Ask the question and allow each group to confer regarding the correct response. When the consultation has ended, the selected group member responds. Members of the whole group are asked to concur or dispute the answer given.

Continue this process until all “numbered heads” have had opportunities to respond. Call on students in an unpredictable manner to keep all class members on their toes.