Book Noting / Annotation Guide Non Fiction

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| Sign Post | Definition | The Questions that Follows |
| Contrasts and Contractions  CC | When the writer presents something that contradicts what you know or think, or when the writer shows you a sharp contrast between people, groups, or ideas | 1. How is this a contrast and contradiction? 2. What does this make me wonder about? |
| Absolute or Extreme Language  EL | When the author makes a statement that allows for no interpretation or seems unreasonable (USES words like always, never etc..) | 1. What does it mean? 2. What is it showing? 3. Why did the author use this language? |
| Numbers and Stats  #’s | When the author uses specific numbers or statistical information. | 1. Why did the author use these numbers? 2. What does it add/ show in regards to the main idea? |
| Quoted Words  QW | When the author chooses to quote someone | 1. Who was quoted? 2. Why was this person quoted? 3. What did this quote add to the meaning of the article? |
| Word Gaps  WG | When the author uses a word or phrase you don’t know | 1. What clues can I use to help me figure out this word? 2. What does this word have to do with the topic? |