Ideas for Ways to Annotate a Text

1. Questions and Answers 19. Draw / Doodle
2. Circle words/phrases 20. Use numbers / create sets
3. Predictions: text/content 21. Facts vs non facts
4. Vocabulary: definitions in context-circle 22. “T’s”: topic, theme, tone, transitions, thesis
5. Paraphrase 23. Use post-its
6. Main Ideas/Key Facts 24. Mark elements: setting, conflict, shift, etc
7. Symbols 25. Number paragraphs / lines
8. Connect to other subjects/literature 26. What if…..
9. Literary Devices 27. Statistics
10. Imagery 28. Tone (author) and Mood (reader)
11. Quotations 29. Relevant ideas
12. Summarize critical events 30. Big Ideas / Themes
13. Color Code 31. Highlighters / colored pencils
14. Use geometry 32. Use the margins
15. Argue with author/characters 33. Author’s purpose
16. Epiphany - the “aha” 34. Characterization
17. Theory-hypothesize 35. Use brackets [ ] for several lines
18. Allusions 36. Dialects
19. 37. Anything unusual