

Conclusions

There is a common thread to the research cited here: graphic organizers may lead to improved student performance, whether measured by classroom-based observation, textbook assessments, or standardized assessments, when compared with more traditional forms of instruction.

information to answer science questions. Reading is intentional thinking during which the reader constructs meaning from the text. Graphic organizers help support and develop students' note-taking skills, summarizing skills, reading comprehension, and vocabulary development which leads to better understanding and application of science content.

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