

'Save the Last Word'



Select a timekeeper

READ AND THINK ON YOUR OWN

When reading your text, note as you go along paragraphs or a short section that you'd like to think about more with your group.

- Before breaking into small groups, choose ONE of your selected passages to share with the group. (You may want to prioritize your top 3, in case others in your group made the same selection.)

THINK AND SHARE TOGETHER

One member reads one of their pre-selected passages.

- The next person in the group comments with their own thoughts about the passage that they just heard read aloud. **(1 minute)**
- Each person around the circle does the same, contributing their own thinking about the selection (**1 minute each**). (Not commenting on another group member's thoughts.)
- When it gets back around to the originator, they now talk about why they chose it and expand on their thinking after listening to colleagues' comments (**2 minutes**).
- The next person then reads their selection and the process is repeated until everyone has a turn.

OPTIONAL DISCUSSION

If time remains, it's the groups' choice as to whether to continue with another selected passage from some or all group members OR to move to general dialogue around the ideas already shared.