



Highlighting in Chrome to support math

Why

Students often struggle to organize their thinking and processing of information when reading which makes it challenging to synthesize and make sense of new information. This can be especially true when trying to make sense of word problems in math. The highlighting tool on the Read and Write for Google Toolbar support this.

What: The Highlighting tool on the in the Read and Write for Google Toolbar
This word problem is taken from the Khan academy:

Erica had a collection of 55 stuffed animals. She took out her favorite 7 animals and then equally divided the remaining animals between her 3 little sisters.

How many stuffed animals did each of Erica's sisters get?

Highlighting tool

This tool allow the student to highlight key points as they read.

1. First open the text you wish to highlight,
2. Then activate the toolbar by clicking in the purple puzzle piece. On a website it will be on the toolbar, on a Google Doc it drops under the toolbar.
3. As you read highlight key points by first using the cursor then selecting a preferred color.
4. It can further help to color code your highlights - in this case pink for the original total, blue for the first function (subtraction) and yellow for for the second function (division)

5. When you have finished reading and highlighting, click on the circle highlighter icon “Collect highlights”. You will be offered the option of which colors to “collect”. In this case select all.

Collect highlights

Sort highlights by
color

Colors to collect

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OK Cancel

A new Document with your highlights is created - color coded as you intended with a link back to the original document

uneducated farmers

Instead, he studied on his own and became an attorney, in 1836.

he married Mary Todd

clever, fair, and honest

skills as an orator

Kentucky

Abraham Lincoln (February 12, 1809–April 15, 1865) was the 16th president of the United States. He led the country through the Civil War and worked to end slavery. He was assassinated early in his second term.

four consecutive elections

He was elected president.

[Abraham Lincoln | TimeForKids](#)

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