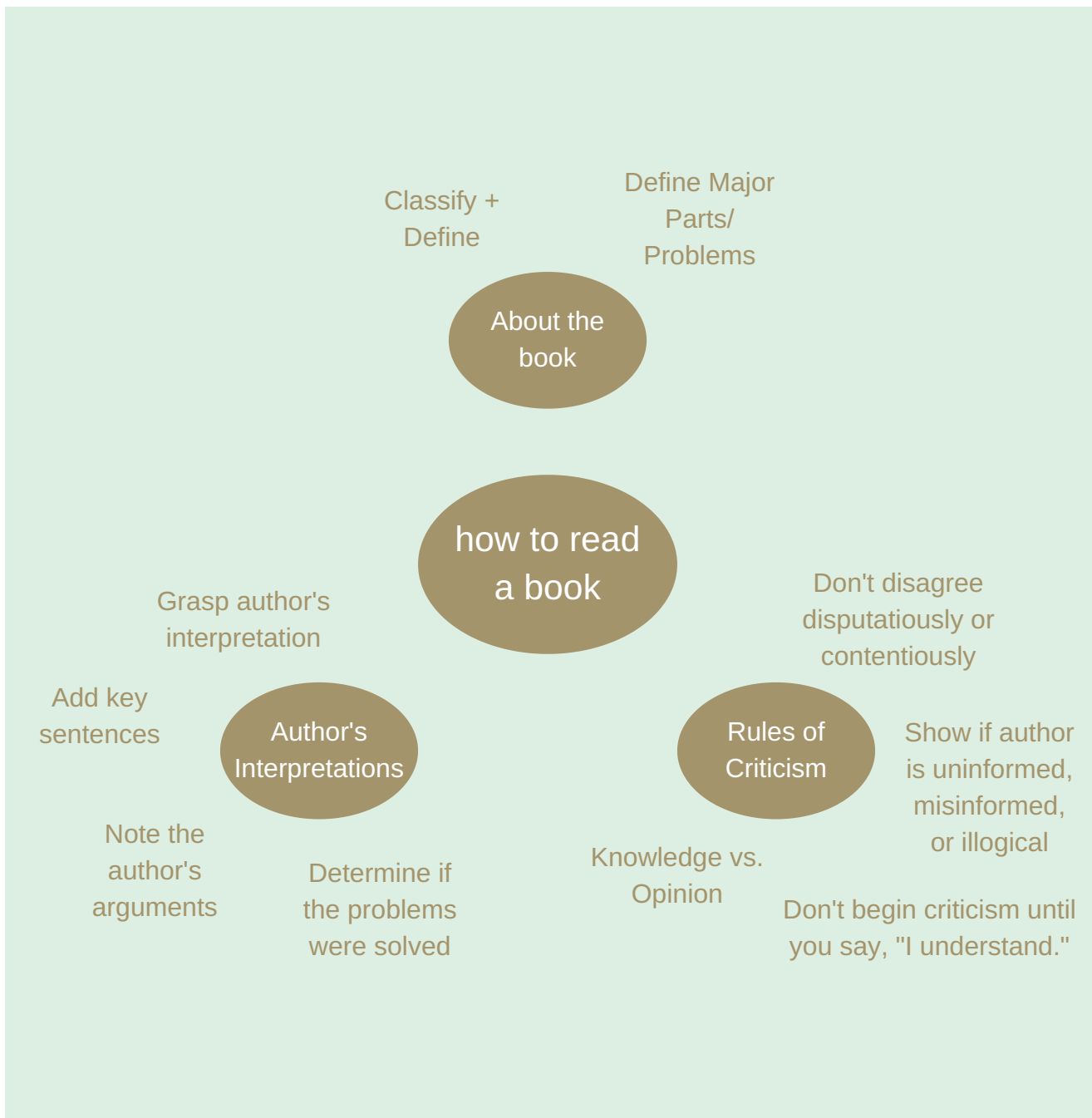


# HOW TO READ A BOOK

## THOUGHT MAP



# CRITICS

## THOUGHT MAP

Criticism of  
Criticism

Good + Bad

Who to  
Watch

NYT

Classics

Parul

T. S. Eliot

Kakutani

Virginia Woolf

Why Reviews  
are Important

Help  
Independent +  
Local Authors

BookMarks

What it is

Breakdown

Ranking  
system

Example

# HOW TO WRITE A REVIEW

## THOUGHT MAP

### Review

1. Define + Classify the book
  - a. short paragraph
    - i. what happened
      1. what is it about
    - ii. genre
2. Major Parts/ Problems
  - a. author's Interpretations
  - b. key sentences
  - c. were the problems solved
  - d. understand what the author is saying before conducting criticism
    - i. personal opinion vs. knowledge
3. Show if the author is uninformed, misinformed, illogical, or incomplete
4. Wrap up with final thoughts
  - a. who to recommend the book to
  - b. other books like it

### Tips

1. Take notes
2. Highlight and annotate
3. Use sticky notes for key passages
4. Stop + write when a major event happens

# REVIEW EXAMPLE

## THOUGHT MAP

### Review

1. Define + Classify the book as **YA fiction**
2. Comic Books
  - a. **escape from reality**
    - i. **executed perfectly**
3. Friendship
  - a. **part of character development**
    - i. **executed perfectly**
4. Love
  - a. **finds first love**
    - i. **executed perfectly**
5. Loved the book
  - a. **highly recommended for YA fiction lovers, comic book readers, and fans of revenge of the nerds plot lines.**
  - b. **no other** books like it