How to read an article

* What is the purpose of the text?
> (What does the text contribute to? Is it a presentation? Or is it trying to convince? Manipulate? Seduce? Inform?)

*What is the primary position of the text?
> (Discuss the positions of the authors. What is the classical understanding versus this new way?)

*Briefly reproduce the text, without reading out loud or reproduce it all.
> (Does not have to be chronological – often the most important punch lines are woven into the text several times by the authors, or maybe the punch lines are not presented in chronological order or categorised. Try to get an overview over the text to start with, and make notes. Wait with personal interpreting of the text, but, if you does interpret, make sure you are aware of that and explain that.)

*What important contradictions/dichotomies (pairs of conception) are there in the text?
> (For instance aesthetics – data control)

*Who is the author and what does it mean for the understanding of the text?
> (What is the background of the author – for instance designer, anthropologist, or engineer? Young, old, man, woman? What "school" does the author come from? Who is the receiver of the text, is it a certain group, wide and large?)

* What are the relevant points for you and what do you wish to discuss further?
> (Often there are many good points in a text, but all of those are perhaps not equally relevant. Focus on the most relevant points considering your task and argue for why they are primary to you. Also take notes on the points you find secondary, and argue why you find them secondary.)