**Implementing Strategic Reading - Information Sheet**

* 1. **Taking an analytical approach to reading**

Think about the different things you look for in a text when performing initial analysis. List them here:

* 1. **Implementing strategic reading to support your assignment**

Here are some questions you can consider to take a strategic stance to your reading:

* Is it up-to-date?
* What type of supporting evidence does it have, e.g. statistical, anecdotal, case study…?
* Does the text refer to a range of sources?
* How does it relate to the topic you are discussing?
* What argument(s) does it support within your assignment?

**1.3 Functions of reading particular texts**

When you read a text, you can approach it for different functions such as: general information, statistical data, constructing an argument, developing a rebuttal and building a chronology for a specific topic.

**1.4 Further question prompts for analytical reading**

When reading a text, it is important to discuss the significance it may have in the following areas:

* is it specific to a particular context?
* can the information or findings be generalised?
* is this useful for the purpose of your essay discussion?
* what are the overall findings?
* how does it fit in with other literature?