

Read an AI-mediated literary work in five steps

Synthetic Hermeneutics classroom worksheet | Mukesh K. Sharma (Mukesh Kumar)

Choose one short passage with a publicly described production process. Work alone or in pairs for 20 minutes, then compare conclusions for 5 minutes. Write 'unknown' when a record is missing.

Work and exact edition or URL: _____

Passage or page: _____ **Date accessed:** _____

1. Textual

What feature of the language or form matters?
Describe it before guessing how it was made.

2. Production

What does a named record say a person or
system did? Name the source.

3. Archive

Which prompt, draft, source, or version record
can you inspect? What remains unknown?

4. Infrastructure

Did a model version, interface, platform, or
access rule affect this work or its readers? How?

5. Responsibility

Who controlled one relevant decision? What
could that person or institution explain or
correct?

Check one claim

Mark a sentence above as documented, attributed, your interpretation, or unknown. Is a word such as 'proves', 'shows', or 'suggests' stronger than your evidence?

Final conclusion: What can you say, and what must stay open?
