ABOUT THE STRATEGY
An EVENT MAP is a graphic organizer that charts the who, what, where, when, why and how of a particular event. Ideas radiate from the center. It is used during and after reading a text. This strategy helps students identify the key ideas and details of a text.

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STRATEGY
– Establish the purpose of the event map.
– Discuss the who, what, where, when, why, and how of a particular event.
– Provide students with an event map graphic organizer, and model how to use it, using a class text(s) and a think aloud to illustrate your thinking; scaffold as needed.
– As students read, have them complete an event map. After reading, have students fill in any missing parts; scaffold as needed.

MEASURING PROGRESS
– Teacher observation
– Conferring
– Student self-reflection
– Graphic organizer post-reading as assessment

RESEARCH
Event Map

Chart the who, what, where, when, why and how of a particular event to identify the key ideas and details of a text.

Title and Author

Who was involved in the event?

What happened?

Where did it happen?

When did it happen?

How did it happen?

Why did it happen?