

How reading a math text is different from reading a novel:

1. It's less relaxed.
2. You can't skip any words.
3. You have to re-read.
4. There are lots of symbols with new meanings to learn
5. It might help to read it out loud
6. Increased critical thinking, double-checking what is written.
7. Easier to take notes – the organization is more obvious. Taking notes and marking up the book makes it easier to comprehend.
8. More active, interacting with the text.
9. There's less subtext. It's all explicit and almost nothing is implicit.
10. It's much slower.