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Group Tuition

Level 2

Reading Exam Skills



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Introduction and Skills

In this session, we will focus on:

- Key terms for the reading exam
- Tips and skills needed to pass your reading exam

Tips for passing your Functional Skills Reading Exam


Key Terms

1. Organisational Features



Let's have a look at a source...

1. What organisational features can you find?

<h3>Plastic-free</h3> <p>Help us save the sea, go plastic-free!</p>	<p>Plastic is all around us. The statistics say it all:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Over 300 million tonnes of plastic are produced globally each year.• Half a million plastic straws are used every day.• 4 trillion plastic bags are used worldwide annually.	<h3>Oceans and Marine Life</h3> <p>Single-use plastics are small but have a large impact, with more than 8 million tonnes of plastic waste ending up in our oceans each year. This is not only harmful to marine birds and animals, which can end up being choked, poisoned and entangled by the plastic, but it can also have an impact on human health, as a study in 2017 found that plastic micro-particles can get into the flesh of fish eaten by humans.</p>
<h3>Supporting our work</h3> <p>We're a small charity with a huge task ahead of us. We really want to make single-use plastic a thing of the past, but we need your help.</p> <p>We would kindly ask that you support our work by offering a small monthly donation.</p> <p>Choose amount</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> £2 monthly contribution<input type="checkbox"/> £5 monthly contribution<input type="checkbox"/> £10 monthly contribution <p>You can log in to edit your recurring donation any time. NEXT</p> <p>Thank you!</p>	<h3>Plastic Production</h3> <p>Roughly half of the plastic produced annually is destined for single-use products. It is truly shocking. It is estimated that around 8.5 billion plastic straws are thrown away every year in the UK alone, not to mention the millions of bottles, coffee cups, crisp packets, plastic bags and take-away dishes. You have probably thrown away several single-use items today without even realising it.</p> <p>As individuals it is extremely important that we recognize that it is OUR responsibility to make changes which will help our oceans for years to come.</p> <p><i>Every piece of plastic ever produced still exists somewhere today.</i></p> 	<h3>Time for Change</h3> <p>Manufacturers and businesses should take some responsibility for the plastic waste they generate and offer consumers more sustainable products and packaging. However, as individuals we are the ones who hold the power to make the biggest change - if we all keep on buying single-use plastic products businesses will only keep on selling them. Every one of us needs to say NO to single-use plastic.</p> <p>Unless we all take action then the crisis we are facing is only going to get worse.</p>

2. Language techniques



Let's have a look at a source...

2. What language techniques can you find?

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Gordon

Any advice on starting a dog sitting business?

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Bono135

Yes, yes, yes! Dog sitting is the best job in the world, and I'm certainly glad I chose it as a profession. Why shouldn't you do it too? You will need to dedicate 7 days a week to it though. I'm fully licensed and make a fantastic income, but it was a struggle to make ends meet when I could only work two days a week due to other commitments. Go for it! You won't regret it.

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3. Purpose



Let's have a look at a source...

3. What is the purpose of Bono135's post?

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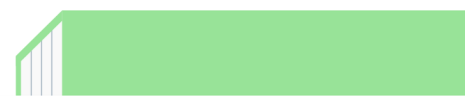
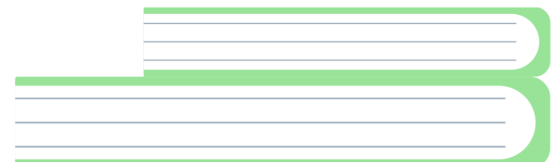
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4. Bias



In your exam...

4. Comparing Bias

These question(s) relate to texts 1, 2 and 3. Use the arrows on the right hand side to move between texts.

Which text do you consider to be the least biased? Using all three texts, explain your selection.

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5. Compare

Compare the views of the authors of Texts 1 and 3 on the subject of Flow Stores, and how these views are conveyed.

★ 4 marks



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6. Style



Text 1

13th March 2022 at 3:42pm

Future Education 

The Covid-19 Effect: Homeschooling

How has it affected us?

By Sophia Garslide

According to the BBC, homeschooling increased by roughly 75% in 2021 since the COVID-19 pandemic.

Numerous lockdowns meant that children were unable to receive education for the majority of the academic years.

Consequently, learning in a home-based environment was the only option. Among parents who took on the homeschooling role, many struggled to find adequate guidance in the process.

Kelly Sprint, founder of Learn Well, reported "every child needs a separate place for academic learning and relaxation. Education is not meant for the latter environment that you would typically find at home".

However, others believe homeschooling could potentially be beneficial to a person's capacity to engage in meaningful learning. Bobby, 15-years-old from Kent, claims that he is "more productive" when at home as "you are in your comfort zone".

As COVID-19 restrictions continue to lift, many students are struggling to transition back into school life.

This widespread issue is consistent with the lack of governmental support for students and schools.

A different approach



The Adekunle twins, aged 11, learning about The Tudors during a homeschooling session by father, Adedayo.

Studies have also shown that remote learning has continued to increase, despite schools operating as normal. Additionally, there is no evidence to suggest that school-based learning, although convenient, is the best method to achieve high grades.

p.45



Homeschooling

My daughter's school has recently introduced homeschooling because of the pandemic. I'm not sure about it because she's currently in a vulnerable state! Who agrees with me? I also have a baby to look after. He is a bit under the weather at the moment.

2:30pm
Holly Day

Mine is the same. She severely struggles with maths too. So do I to be honest! How are parents meant to keep up with it all? I'm currently on furlough pay because I work in construction, but trying to help her with school work is like a full-time job! Utterly tiresome.

Eddy Cation
2:47pm

Hi guys. As much as I can relate, I've adored having my kids back home! My son takes regular breaks which helps him stay focused. His school have been very thoughtful by sending him revision materials and even technology. You should request these from your schools!

Coco45
2:52pm

I agree with you Coco45, but many parents aren't able to get these resources or have weak internet. I contacted the school yesterday and they had limited laptops to send. I was devastated. Single parents cannot afford to cover the ridiculous cost.

Anonymous7
2:43pm

