

Reading skills

Skills	Definition	Example
Predicting	It allows students to use information from the text, such as titles, headings, pictures and diagrams to anticipate what will happen in the story.	When reading a children's book they can make predictions by looking at the pictures.
Finding the main idea, important facts and supporting details.	Additional information that explains, defines or proves an idea.	When reading a text to make a summary.
Reading for specific information	It allows reader to find certain information in a text.	When answering a questionnaire.
Recognizing the structure of a reading	Allows reader to understand and gather information.	When making a graphic organizer of a reading.
Making inferences	Drawing conclusions based on information that has been implied rather than directly stated.	When reading a novel, we use this skill to imagine the end.
Critical reading	It is the act of analyzing and evaluating what you are reading as you make your way through the text or as you reflect back upon your reading.	The readings one makes to gather information to write an essay.
Fast or speed reading	The act of reading faster than usual.	This skill we use it when we are skimming.
Scanning	One only looks for a specific fact or piece of information without reading everything.	When summarizing or studying.

Reading skills (cont)

Skimming	Looking only for the general or main ideas, and works best with non-fiction (or factual) material.	This skill is perfect when making a graphic organizer.
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Concept	Definition
Reading	The skill or activity of getting information from books.
Skill	An ability to do an activity or job well, especially because you have practised it.
Reading skills	Reading skills lead a person to interact and gain meaning from written language.

