



Active Reading

Learning to love reading

Specifications

Level and versions

- ▶ Elementary to Advanced CEFR: A2-C1
- ▶ International English North American English

Options for running

- PC online
- Mac online
- iPad / Tablet

Most teachers love reading, but it can be a challenge to generate the same enthusiasm in our students. This is what **Active Reading** sets out to achieve.

The starting point is to present texts which are relevant, stimulating and lively. Topics range from advertisements for diets, to Internet posts on online gaming, to ecotourism. Text types include newspaper and magazine articles, emails, poems, recipes, stories and press releases. There's a lot of variety, and topics to appeal to every learner.

It is through these texts that students learn to identify their reason for reading, and then to deploy the most appropriate reading skills and sub-skills. The program helps them to predict, to skim, to scan and to use layout to find their way around a text. There's a full list of skills on the right.

Active Reading comes at six levels from Elementary to Advanced, with ten units in each level. Each unit starts with a video introduction, moves through controlled practice and comprehension exercises and concludes with a freer activity which expands on the topic.

Learners can listen to a range of native speakers reading the texts, helping them to identify sense groups and develop their chunking skills.

You can use Active Reading for classwork, homework or self-access. The program integrates with Results Manager, enabling teachers to track student progress and generate reports. Whichever way you choose to use the program, Active Reading will help your students learn to love reading.

Which reading skills does Active Reading help with?

- ✓ Dictionary work
- ✓ Understanding referencing in a text
- ✓ Choosing words to learn
- ✓ Synonyms and near-synonyms
- ✓ Identifying your reason for reading
- ✓ Using 'signpost' words
- ✓ Developing the reading habit
- ✓ Reading aloud
- ✓ Guessing from context
- ✓ Using layout to help reading
- ✓ Topic sentences
- ✓ Inferring meaning in a text
- ✓ Prediction
- ✓ Scanning
- ✓ Ignoring unknown words
- ✓ Skimming



Worksheet
downloads included

