Reading Materials

Graded Readers & Stories

Storybooks ESL
40 free multilingual stories for language learners.
Access: https://storybookscanada.ca/
$\textbf{Features:} \ \textbf{-} \ \textbf{Stories in multiple languages -} \ \textbf{Audio recordings -} \ \textbf{Downloadable PDFs -} \ \textbf{Beginner-friendly}$
News in Levels
News articles written at three reading levels.
Access: https://www.newsinlevels.com/
Levels: - Level 1: Simplified vocabulary, short sentences - Level 2: More vocabulary, longer sentences - Level 3: Original news articles
Simple English Wikipedia
Encyclopedia articles in simplified English.
Access: https://simple.wikipedia.org/
Breaking News English
News lessons with comprehension questions.
Access: https://breakingnewsenglish.com/
Features: - Current events - Multiple difficulty levels - Vocabulary exercises - Discussion questions
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Reading Practice Websites
ReadTheory
Adaptive reading comprehension practice.
Access: https://readtheory.org/
CommonLit
Free reading passages with questions.
Access: https://www.commonlit.org/

Workplace Reading Skills

Types of Workplace Documents

- Emails and memos
- Instructions and manuals
- Forms and applications
- Schedules and calendars
- Signs and notices

Practice Reading

- Job postings and descriptions
- Company policies
- Safety instructions
- Customer communications

Reading Strategies

- 1. Preview Look at titles, headings, images
- 2. **Predict** Guess what the text is about
- 3. Read Read for main ideas first
- 4. Question Ask yourself comprehension questions
- 5. Review Summarize what you read

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