

# Reading and Discussion

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The Reading and Discussion class was based on the text "Mosaic 1" (McGraw Hill). (Silver Edition).

***Teaching points:***

These points are featured on lecture PowerPoint's (on this website)

**1. Chapter 1 -**

**Skimming**

Reading without knowing every word

Analyzing paragraphs for the main idea

Finding the implied main idea of a paragraph

Interpreting cultural differences

Expressing an opinion

Taking notes, presenting results

Understanding idioms, vocabulary presented in lesson

**2. Chapter 2 -**

**Scanning**

Selecting the main idea

Recognizing implied feelings

Choosing adjectives, adverbs for description

Taking notes and presenting results

Using idioms, ideas, metaphors in conversation

Inferring the meaning of words from context

**3. Chapter 3 -**

Skimming for general and specific ideas

Recalling information

Scanning for facts

General vs. specific statements

Presenting ideas in a group

Summarizing a group opinion

Comparing ideas and experiences in conversation

**4. Chapter 4 -**

Paraphrasing main ideas

**Fact vs. opinion**

**Understanding and analyzing points of view**

**Agreeing vs. disagreeing**

**Structuring an argument to support an opinion**

**Meaning from context**

**5. Chapter 5 -**

**Scanning for definitions of key terms**

**Identifying the pattern of organization in a reading**

**Analyzing the main point (thesis) of the article**

**Comparing opinions**

**Selecting strong examples to support a point of view**

**Inferring the meaning of specialized terms**

**6. Chapter 6 -**

**Identifying the setting, characters, and conflict in a narrative**

**Predicting events in a narrative**

**Comparing opinions**

**Analyzing the actions, outcomes of a situation**

**Solving problems relating to a theme**

**Using words, ideas, idioms creatively**

**7. Chapter 7 -**

**Previewing to determine organization**

**Identifying key terms**

**Supporting, disproving a general statement with facts**

**Matching words to their definitions**

**Using expressive synonyms**

**Using ideas and idioms in conversation**

**8. Chapter 8 -**

**Expressing and comparing opinions and interpretations**

**Identifying points of comparison**

**Creative storytelling, expression about selected topics**

**Selecting and ordering descriptive details when discussing art**

**9. Chapter 9 -**

**Scanning for development of main idea**

**Scanning for words with clues**

**Finding support for main ideas**

**Expressing a theme**

**Comparing opinions**

**Making inferences**

**Synthesizing internet content, taking notes, presenting**

**10. Chapter 10 -**

**Understanding the setting**

**Identifying narrative elements**

**Reporting opinions**

**Using summary or content to connect to personal experience, viewpoint**

**Having Western style ("basketball style") conversation using reading content**

**Other materials, presentations used:**

**11. Western thinking, western expression in English**

***Other sources:***

**"Reading (writing) Cracker"**

**Mary S. French (Nexus Pub.)**

**"The Media Dimension"**

**Mary Hamilton Collins**

**Legends of America site (<http://www.legendsofamerica.com>)**

**Rt. 66 University site (<http://www.route66university.com/index.php>)**