

World Cultures

Unit 1



Learning Outcomes

- Be able to apply before-reading strategies to improve your overall comprehension of texts.
- Be able to efficiently scan texts to quickly and accurately locate specific information.
- Be able to write complete and clear basic sentences.
- Be able to use prewriting techniques to organize and develop ideas before writing.



Vocabulary Review



“Yanomami Tribe Buries Their Dead by Eating Their Flesh”

controversy	tribe	burial
cannibalism	transition	delicacy
ritual	eternal	exacted
culprits		

Grammar

Parts of Speech/Word Classes



Nouns
Verbs
Adjectives
Adverbs

Pronouns
Prepositions
Conjunctions
Interjections

Vocabulary Words

Grammatical Words

Reading Before Reading Strategies

1. PREVIEW

Read titles, subtitles, summaries, pictures, graphs, tables, captions, or bold/italicized content.

2. ACTIVATE YOUR BACKGROUND KNOWLEDGE

Ask: What do I know about this topic? Do I have knowledge or is it completely new?



3. POSE QUESTIONS OR MAKE PREDICTIONS

Use the information from previewing to form an expectation about the reading. Pose questions like: Is it a/an _____? Who is _____? What does X have to do with Y?

4. SET A PURPOSE

Ask: “Why am I reading this? What do I hope to discover and learn?”



Writing

Basic Sentence Structure



The two most basic grammatical parts of a sentence are the **subject and predicate** (Hodges & Whitten, 1984: 2).

They summarized **three patterns** of word order in a sentence as follows:

1. **SUBJECT + VERB:** The ceremony is done.
2. **SUBJECT + VERB + OBJECT:** They gather the bones.
3. **SUBJECT + VERB + INDIRECT OBJECT + DIRECT OBJECT:** They give everyone banana soup.

Reading Scanning

An effective technique for accelerating your reading pace. It focuses on locating a particular piece of information without reading everything. You use scanning when searching for **specific information** such as dates, names, or keywords, without having to read every word in detail.



Here are some techniques you can use (IDP IELTS Thailand, 2024):

- **Following your finger or a pen/pencil along the text**
- **Circling or underlining key words in the passage**
- **Highlighting all the key words in the paragraph to draw attention to the most relevant details**



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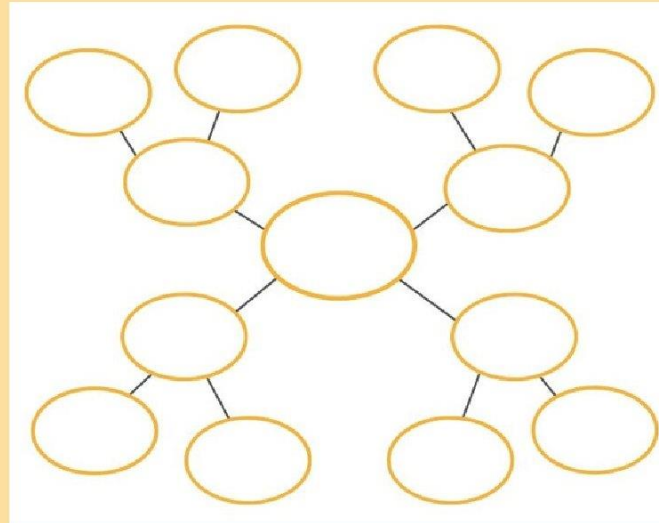
“The Art of Air Kissing: A Global Guide to Cheeky Greetings”

logistics	straightforward	primary
administer	bombastic	forgoing
saliva	whereas	routinely



Writing Prewriting

Clustering is a prewriting technique that helps you brainstorm and develop ideas using a diagram called a cluster (Hogue, 2014: 36).



Source:

https://www.elephango.com/index.cfm/pg/k12learning/lcid/12089/The_Writing_Process:_Prewriting





Q&A