

25 Non-invasive things to do with a text

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1. Underline new words – check them in a dictionary
2. Find examples of verbs – what forms are they?
3. Find the nouns – which adjectives are used with them?
4. Underline the prepositions – are there any new uses?
5. Underline the articles (a/an/the) – why are they used?
6. Find examples of the passive – what forms are they?
7. Why are they used?
8. Find noun + noun partnerships.
9. Find adjective + noun partnerships.
10. Find verb + noun partnerships.
11. Find noun + adjective + noun partnerships.
12. Find interesting phrases to learn
13. Highlight the key information in the text – write summary. Use 50/100 words.
14. Underline all the words you know in the text.
15. Write a letter/note to a friend giving them the information in the text.
16. Find linking words - what information do they connect?
17. Find examples of ‘them’, ‘he’, ‘she’ etc. Who are they?
18. Look for vague language.
19. Consider punctuation.
20. Is the information correct in the text?
21. Find another text on the same topic and compare the information in them.
22. What is the attitude of the writer of the text?
23. What tells you the writer’s attitude?
24. Do you agree with the attitude of the writer of the text?
25. Correct this summary of the text.