

READING

- 1 Look at the pictures of the books and try to guess what they are about. Read the texts quickly to check your ideas.



BOOKS TO MAKE YOU laugh this summer

We asked three readers to tell us about a funny book they enjoyed – here's what they told us

A NATALIE

My mum bought this for me for my birthday and I knew from the picture on the front and the title that I was going to love it. I read it in just two days and I was really sad when I got to the end. The story is about a girl who has to help her family by getting back some stolen paintings – I found it really exciting! I'm now a huge fan of the author Ally Carter – I have all her other books on my shelf ready for the summer.



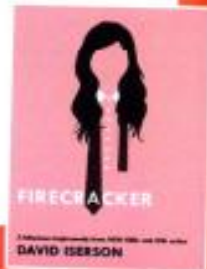
B HEIDI

In my opinion, this is one of the funniest books ever written for teenagers. It's about a 15-year-old boy who wants to start a rock band, but the adults in his life all try to stop him. Nothing goes right for him until the very end of the story. The writer is also an artist and the clever drawings on each page help the story along. Unfortunately, the cover makes it look like it's for little kids, which is a shame as it might stop some teenagers from picking it up.



C DAVINA

I got this book for a great price in my local store. It's a funny story about a terrible girl who has to learn to be a better person. It's the first time I've tried this kind of book, but I really enjoyed it. Of course, it's not perfect – I wasn't happy with what happens in the last few pages. But it was a lot of fun, and I think I'll probably read more like it in the future.



PREPARE FOR THE EXAM

Reading Part 2

- 2 For each question, choose the correct answer. Write **A** for Natalie, **B** for Heidi or **C** for Davina.
- Who didn't like the way the book ended?
 - Who plans to read more books by the same writer?
 - Who explains where she bought the book?
 - Who thought the pictures inside were excellent?
 - Who says the book is different from what she usually reads?
 - Who thinks some people may get the wrong idea about the book?
 - Who says it didn't take her long to read the book?



TALKING POINTS

Do you like reading? If yes, what sort of books? What's the best book you've ever read?

VOCABULARY

Words about books

- 1 Read the texts again and underline the words from the box. Then, match them to the definitions.



author chapter cover drawings
end opinion pages shelf title

- This is the last part of the book.
 - The words and pictures on this help you decide if you want to read it.
 - This is the name the writer gives to the book.
 - These pictures are done with a pen or pencil.
 - You can put your books on this.
 - You turn these as you read.
 - This person writes books.
 - This is what you think or believe about something.
 - This is one of the sections of a book that usually has a number or title.
- 2 Complete the questions with words from Exercise 1. Then, in pairs, ask and answer the questions.
- Do you listen to other people's _____ when you choose a book to read?
 - Do you think books with _____ in them are just for little kids?
 - Have you ever chosen a book because you think the _____ or _____ look interesting?
 - Do you like books with hundreds of _____ or do you prefer shorter ones?
 - Have you ever got to the _____ of a book and felt sad that it was finished?

LISTENING

- 1 Listen to the teacher talking to his class. Which of these is he talking about?
a new book a competition a website a writer
- 2 Read the sentences. Then, listen again. Are the sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?
- If you're under 12, you can enter the competition.
 - To win, you need to read more books than anyone else.
 - If you enter, you'll have to buy lots of books.
 - The teacher will give the students all the instructions they need.
 - One of the prizes is a writing course.
 - You can see people's opinions of books on the competition website.
 - You might save money if you buy a book from the website.
 - The website blog is written by teenagers who like writing stories.
- 3 In pairs, ask and answer the questions.
- How many books do you usually read in the long school holiday?
 - Would you like to enter a competition like this?



WRITING



PREPARE TO WRITE

Writing Part 7 A story

GET READY



Look at the pictures and read the sentences. Put the sentences in the correct order to tell the story.

- He started to feel a bit bored, **so** he took his book out of his bag and started reading it.
- Unfortunately**, Tom was enjoying the book so much that he missed his bus, **and** he had to wait for the next one.
- Tom was waiting for his bus, **but** it was late. There was lots of traffic **because** the weather was bad.

Complete each sentence with one of the linking words in **blue** above.

- I'm tired this morning _____ I read my book until midnight last night.
- I lost my library book _____ I had to pay for a new one.
- I liked the writer's first book _____ I hated her second one.
- _____ the shop didn't have the book I wanted.
- I like books that can make me laugh _____ cry.

PLAN You are going to write a story about the pictures on page 139.

- Look at the pictures carefully.
- Make notes about the story. Answer the questions *Who?*, *Where?* and *What is happening?*
- Write down key vocabulary and decide what tense to use.

- WRITE** Now write the story shown in the pictures on page 139. Remember to write about every picture and use linkers. Write 35 words or more.

IMPROVE In pairs, read each other's stories and check you have both used linking words correctly.

VOCABULARY

Words about books

1 Match the questions to the answers.

- 1 Where do people often keep their books? _____
- 2 What can you do with some paper and some crayons or pencils? _____
- 3 What is on this page? _____
- 4 What question asks for someone's opinion? _____
- 5 What is the title of this unit? _____
- 6 What are the sections in a story called? _____
- 7 What is the opposite of 'the beginning'?
- 8 What is the stronger, outside part of a book called?
- 9 What word means someone who writes books?

- a some English exercises
- b the cover
- c on a shelf
- d the end
- e 'From cover to cover'
- f author
- g What do you think?
- h a drawing
- i chapters

2 Read the notices and messages. Underline four phrasal verbs from Vocabulary Exercise 2 on page 72.

1

To: Book club members Reply Forward

From: Club Secretary

The library has 20 of this month's book (*Martin* by Sam Black) for members to borrow. You can pick one up there from this Friday.


2

Katie, I'm taking a book back to the bookshop today. Can I get you anything while I'm there? Mum

3

Don't take dictionaries out of the library. Use them in the study area.

4

 I agree with the last person's post. This book's great, especially the last few pages. I couldn't put it down.

Sarah, 14:30

5

Competition!

Design a cover for your favourite story book!
Prizes for the best three!



6

Isabel, I've just seen an advertisement for a talk by author Sammy Coles. It's at the bookshop tonight. I can go, can you? Elena

PREPARE FOR THE EXAM

Reading Part 1

3 For each question, choose the correct answer.

- 1 What information does this message give book club members?
 - A when this month's meeting will be
 - B how many books will be available
 - C where the club usually meets
- 2 What is Katie's mum doing in this message?
 - A inviting Katie to join her
 - B offering to buy something for Katie
 - C asking Katie to do something for her
- 3 What does this notice mean?
 - A You cannot borrow dictionaries to read at home.
 - B You must not forget to bring dictionaries back to the library.
 - C You should not leave dictionaries in the study area.
- 4 What does Sarah say about the book?
 - A She didn't finish the book.
 - B She had a different opinion to someone else.
 - C She thought the end was the best part.
- 5 For this competition, you have to
 - A write something.
 - B do some art.
 - C make a book.
- 6 What does Elena want to do?
 - A get information about a writer from Isabel
 - B read a book she saw in a shop
 - C go and listen to someone

EXAM TIPS

- Read each text and think about who wrote it, and who it is for.
- The correct answer has the same meaning as the text, but it usually uses different words.

READING

- 1 Read the texts quickly. What kind of books do the boys read?

Uri _____
 Ned _____
 Mike _____

What do you read?

Three students tell us about what they read

Uri

I read a lot but it's not story books that I read. I'm a mountain climber at weekends, and I read two or three magazines a month about my sport. There are some great books about it, too – I'd like to write one myself in the future. It's only since I've been a climber that I've started reading in my free time. Before that, I didn't enjoy it much. I sometimes go on climbing websites, but I don't like reading a lot of text on a screen.



Ned

I read school textbooks but I've never picked up a book to read for fun. My parents gave me lots of books to read when I was young but I wasn't really interested. Perhaps I will be when I'm older, but at the moment, I spend a lot of time reading online. I can't take my phone to school, but I look at the news at least once a day on my phone, and I like reading about what my friends are doing.



Mike

I've always read a lot, ever since I was a young boy, and I always will. I read all kinds of things, from comics to science magazines. I also download a lot of funny ebooks and keep them on my tablet, which I take everywhere. It's great having hundreds of books on that because then, when I'm waiting for a bus or I'm bored at lunchtime, I can read one. I read things online too, but that's usually finding information for homework.



PREPARE FOR THE EXAM

Reading Part 2

- 2 For each question, choose the correct answer. Write *U* for Uri, *N* for Ned or *M* for Mike.

- Which person is happy to read books on a screen? _____
- Which person thinks he might enjoy reading books more later in his life? _____
- Which person prefers reading real books to reading digital books? _____
- Which person reads a large variety of different things? _____
- Which person doesn't read books in his free time? _____
- Which person says he likes to have something to read with him all the time? _____
- Which person reads more now than in the past? _____

EXAM TIPS

- You must only choose one answer for each question.
- Don't think an answer is right just because you see the same word in the text and the question.

LISTENING

- 1 Listen to a conversation about books and choose the correct answers.

- Where is the conversation happening?
 A in a library B in a bookshop
- Which person is having this conversation at work?
 A the man B the girl

- 2 Listen again and write one word or number for each answer.

- The girl and her _____ are going to South Africa.
- The travel book shelves are next to the _____.
- Today, one book will be cheaper if you get _____ books.
- The girl doesn't know the _____ of the book for her sister.
- The girl will find *Pictures for Life* on the _____ floor.
- There is bigger bookshop on _____ Street.