Exercise 10

Think about some of the skills you need when you approach the IELTS Reading test.

Complete the sentences. Use the words and phrases in the box.

context	in detail	key words	not	paraphrases	purpose
reference words	scan	specific information		title and subtitle	

1. Use the _____ to help you understand what the passage will be about.
2. When you have a very long passage to read, which looks complex, it is important to have a clear _____ in mind before you start reading.
3. Make sure you understand the questions or statements you are given and identify any _____ , such as names, dates or places.
4. You can use these to _____ the passage and locate the sections that you need to read carefully.
5. Read the statements again carefully and look for _____ from the passage among the other key words.
6. You can use these to identify the sentences you need to read _____ .
7. If you see words in the passage you don't understand, try to guess what they mean from the _____ .
8. Remember that you must answer the questions using the information in the passage and _____ your own knowledge or what you think is likely to be true.
9. Make sure you recognise how _____ like *this, it, they* or *these* refer back to information or ideas that have already been mentioned. These can often help you find the answer to a question.
10. Remember that you do not have to read all the passage in detail or understand every word. Instead, make sure you practise the skill of finding _____ in a passage.

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