

Read a text about someone's reading habits. Complete the gaps with a word from the box.

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My reading habits have changed a lot over the past few years. When I was an adolescent I hated reading. I was suffering with the _____ reading in secondary school. Every literature lesson was a nightmare for me. I don't know why but I simply couldn't bring myself to sit down to read. My mother was enthusiastic about reading bed-time stories and fairy tales before putting me to bed. I got all the _____ childhood readings.

Later, everything changed. After secondary school I went to university and a brand new world opened up to me. There was the biggest library I had ever seen in my life. It had a very special atmosphere and I was mesmerized by the place. It was a very modern building with an online _____ and many other services. There were _____ and multimedia materials. It had extensive newspaper and periodical _____. So, I started to borrow and _____ more and more books. I enjoyed reading classical books from authors like Charles Dickens and Melville.

After university I didn't give up reading books. I am still fond of reading and I have a lot of books at home. When I am tired after work and long for a light entertainment, I read less serious literature such as science fiction and _____. Nowadays I don't go to libraries but I often go to bookshops. I sometimes just look around but often it is difficult to _____ so I buy something. The other day I bought a _____ of selected short stories. Unfortunately, the prices are very high but after awhile, _____ books are published in cheaper _____.

As for newspapers I always read them online. I am not a compulsive newspaper reader who starts the day with the morning news but I like surfing on the net hunting for some interesting news. I don't like reading long books on the net because I enjoy reading in a more comfortable _____ like lying in bed or sitting in my armchair. Let alone, reading in front of the screen may damage your eyesight.