

Unit 1 Goodbye, School!

1 Read the information below, then discuss questions a, b and c in groups.

At university or college, students are expected to read a variety of texts much more quickly than at school. So they need to develop strategies to bring their reading up to speed.

- a Do you read quickly or slowly?
- b What problems do you have when reading in English?
- c What are your strategies for dealing with new vocabulary?



2 Listen to the short talk about types of reading. As you listen, complete the table below.

Reading speed per minute	Type of reading	Example
Below 100 words	close reading	reading a
Between 100 and 250 words	purposes	studying textbooks and learning
Between 250 and 400 words	or reading	when we read and
Above 400 words		getting the of an

3 Read the procedure below about timing a reading text. You need a timing device which shows minutes and seconds.

1. Look quickly through the text. Read the heading, sub-headings and look at any pictures that can help you understand it.
2. Check the time, then read the text as fast as you can.
3. When you have finished, check the time again. Note down how long it took you to read the text.
4. Answer the comprehension questions to check your understanding.
5. Divide the number of words in the text by the time it took you to read it. This is your reading score.