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# UHL 2412 EAC ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC COMMUNICATION

## UNIT 2: READING SKILLS

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- **Aim**

## **Overall reading comprehension B1**

Can read straightforward factual texts on subjects related to his/her field and interest with a satisfactory level of comprehension.

- **Expected outcomes**

Apply reading skills to extract and transfer specific information from general texts.

Evaluate information to present clear and detailed descriptions on a wide range of subjects.

Apply appropriate and accurate language in written and/or spoken discourse.

- **Assessment**

Reading & Summarising (40m) (30%)



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## Speed Reading : Skimming

Readers read a reading text in a very fast manner in order to look for the main ideas.



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## What is MAIN IDEA?

MAIN IDEAS introduce the focus of a reading text.

It is also called TOPIC SENTENCES.



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## What is TOPIC SENTENCE?

TOPIC SENTENCE introduces the focus of each paragraph in a reading text.

It can be found in the beginning, middle or at the end of a paragraph.



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## Steps to skim a reading text:

- Preview the reading text.
- Read the first and the last paragraph.
- Look for the main ideas or topic sentences.
- Search for keywords or repeated words



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