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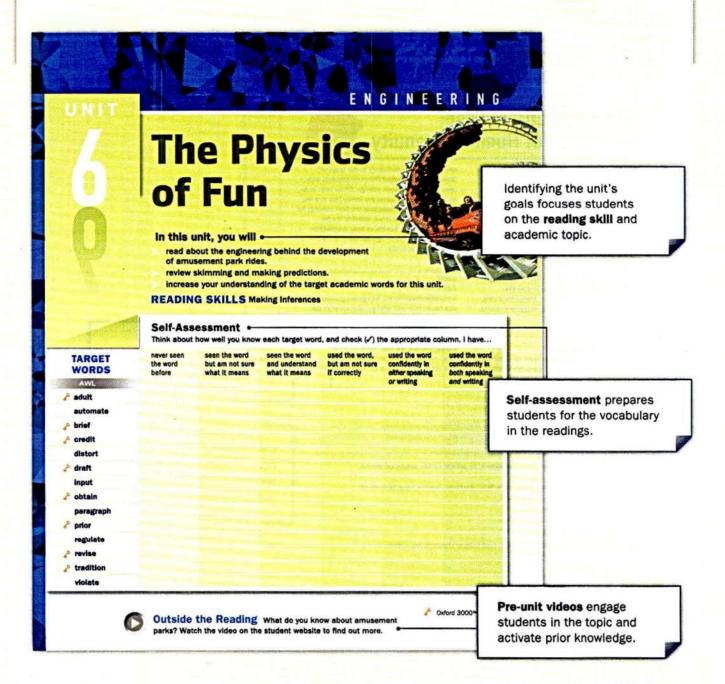
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Getting Started

Each unit in Inside Reading features

- > Two high-interest reading texts from an academic content area
- > Reading skills relevant to the academic classroom
- > Targeted words from the Academic Word List



High-interest Texts

READING 1

Before You Read .

Read these questions. Discuss your answers in a small group.

- 1. Do you consider yourself to be a competitive person? Why or why not?
- 2. Do you think the urge to compete is something people are born with or something they learn from their parents? Why?
- Does society have an effect on an individual's competitive drive? If so, how? Are some societies more competitive than others? Give examples to support your opinions.

MORE WORDS YOU'LL NEED

instinct: the natural force that causes a person or animal to behave in a certain way without thinking about it.

A Timeline of Human Ingenuity

Q Read

This article is a timeline that traces the history of competition—personal, professional, and national.

Discussion questions activate students' knowledge and prepare them to read.

High-interest readings

motivate students.

The Competitive Edge:



Are you a runner? A soccer player? Have you ever competed in a sport, felt the thrill of the game, or raced for the win? Why is it that our best

- performances are often those played against s our toughest competitors? Ask Liliya Shobukhova (top right) of Russia when she attained her best marathon time. She won't tell you she did it while training alone. She did it while running—and winning—the 2011 Chicago Marathon, her third
- ³⁰ consecutive win. It's not just physical competition that inspires us. As many of us can testify, competition affects every aspect of life. The following timeline demonstrates that the competitive instinct has been around for a long is time and has produced some staggering results.

ANCIENT HISTORY

THE STORIES WE TELL Before written language developed, oral stories were handed down from one generation to the

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Shakespeare, **classical** literature abounds with tales of rivalry between siblings. Often birth order, gender, and status within the family play into the

next. From Greek mythology to the plays of

- clashes as siblings determine the best strategy for succeeding over the other. Whether it's for parental approval, wealth, or love, competition
- between siblings is an age-old story. It's a drama we don't tire of easily.

1206 THE LARGEST EMPIRE

A boy abandoned in the Mongolian grasslands with his mother and siblings later controls the largest empire in history. As a warrior, he conquers the tribes competing for control of Mongolia and brings them under his rule, thereby earning the title "Genghis Khan," which means "ruler of all between the oceans." Now acknowledged as a leader, he **commence**

Academic Word List vocabulary is presented in context.

Reading Comprehension •

Read each sentence below. Choose the best answer to complete the sentence based on Reading 1.

- According to the section "The Stories We Tell," humans have a long history of telling stories about ______.
 - a. physical competition of athletes
 - b. the path to literacy
 - c. competition between siblings
- 2. Using rhymes to help soldiers remember and follow through on orders was a strategy _______ used.
 - a. Filippo Brunelleschi
- b. Genghis Khan
- c. Prince Henry the Navigator
- 3. Capitalism is associated with competition because _____
- a. businesses are allowed to compete
- b. William Makepeace Thackeray used the term
- c. it leads to better quality and lower prices

Comprehension activities help students understand the text and apply the targeted academic vocabulary.

Explicit Reading Skill Instruction

READING SKILL

Summarizing a Text Using Nontext Elements

LEARN -

- The task of summarizing a text can be broken down into two steps: • Figure out the central ideas of a selection.
 - Combine them briefly and clearly.
- Also be sure to include the nontext elements-such as pictures, tables, charts,

and graphs—in your summary.

APPLY -

- 1. Identify two main ideas in The Dartfish Olympics.
- 2. Identify two main ideas in BBC Sport Uses StroMotion™ Technique.
- 3. Look at the photos that accompany Reading 1. How do they link to the main ideas? Consider the photos on their own. What main idea do they present?
- Combine the main ideas from 1, 2, and 3 above into a summary of Reading 1. One or two sentences should be enough.

Explicit reading skills provide the foundation for effective, critical reading.

Practice exercises enable students to implement new reading skills successfully.

Summarizing a Text Using Nontext Elements

APPLY

READING SKILL

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- 1. Identify two main topics in Reading 2.
- 2. Look at the photos that accompany Reading 2. How do they link to the main ideas? Consider the photos as a group. What main idea does the group present?
- Combine the main ideas from the text and the accompanying images into a summary of Reading 2.

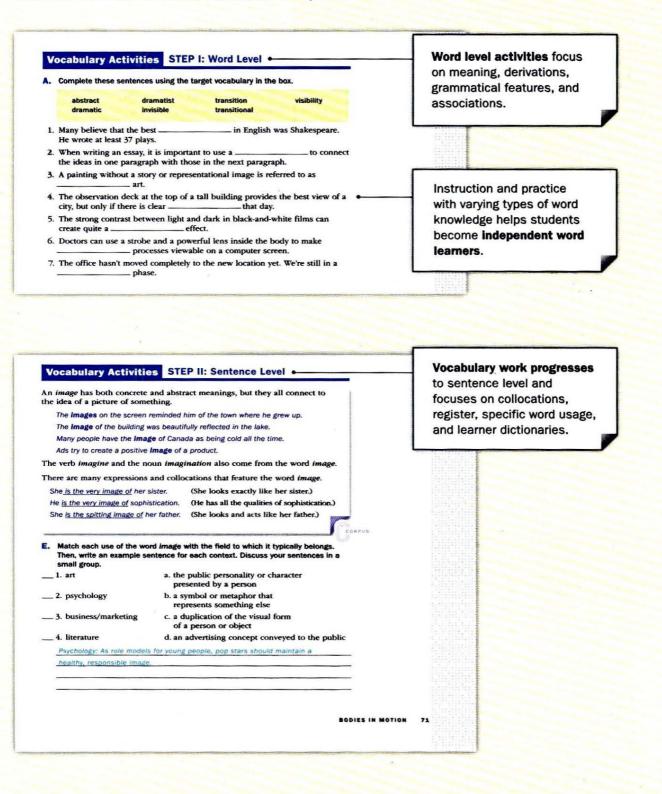
REVIEW A SKILL Identifying Main Ideas vs. Supporting Details (See p. 20) -

Reread the article on pages 73–75. As you read each paragraph, think about the author's main purpose. Identify the main ideas and supporting details for each paragraph and write these in your notebook.

Recycling of reading skills allows students to apply knowledge in new contexts.

The Academic Word List in Context

Based on a corpus of 3.4 million words, the **Academic Word List** (AWL) is the most principled and widely accepted list of academic words. Compiled by Averil Coxhead in 2000, it was informed by academic materials across the academic disciplines.



From Research to Practice

The Oxford English Corpus provides **the most relevant and accurate picture of the English language**. It is based on a collection of over two billion carefully-selected and inclusive 21st century English texts.

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Resources

STUDENT SUPPORT

For additional resources visit: www.oup.com/elt/student/insidereading

- Reading worksheets provide additional skill practice
- > Videos set the stage for specific units
- > Audio recordings of every reading text



TEACHER SUPPORT

The Inside Reading iTools is for use with an LCD projector or interactive whiteboard.

Resources for whole-class presentation

- > Audio recordings of all reading texts with "click and listen" interactive scripts
- Animated presentations of reading skills for whole class presentations
- > Videos for specific units introduce students to the reading text topic and activate prior knowledge.
- > Fun vocabulary activities for whole-class participation

Resources for assessment and preparation

- > Printable worksheets for extra reading skill practice
- > Printable and customizable unit, mid-term, and final tests
- > Answer Keys
- > Teaching Notes
- > Video transcripts

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