






What are reading skills?

Reading is not just about being able to say and understand the words you see. Reading skills include the different ways that you are expected to respond to a text. These skills are now called 'content domains' and your teacher considers how well you can perform them when assessing your level for reading.

CD	Teacher speak	This means that you need to:		Break the Code
A	Draw on knowledge of vocabulary to understand texts	Use different methods to work out what the text says. Explain what the word means and how it helps you understand the text.		Woof Woof
B	Identify and explain key aspects of fiction and non-fiction texts, such as characters, events, titles and information	Find and use details of information (who, what, where, when, why? etc.)		Beginning, middle, end
C	Identify and explain the sequence of events in texts	Identify the main points in a story. Why does the character do 'x' in the middle of a story?		Hmmm...
D	Make inferences from the text	Understand what the text 'suggests' but does not directly say. Deduction: this is true, the facts will be there in the text. Inference: this is your own perception or opinion.		Crystal Ball
E	Predict what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far	Use the clues in the text to work out what will happen next.		