

Chapter 4: Reading in an Academic Context

Test your knowledge of Chapter 4: Reading in an Academic Context by answering the following multiple-choice questions. You can find the answers to each question at the end of this document.

- 1 If a book chapter indicates who the authors of the chapter are, then you know that the book is an:
 - a authored book
 - b edited book
 - c academic book
 - d textbook

- 2 Below are the details for an article found in the ProQuest database. What is the title of the article?

THE INDEPENDENT LEARNING CONTRACT SYSTEM: MOTIVATING STUDENTS ENROLLED IN COLLEGE READING COURSES

Jerry J Lewis. Reading Improvement. Chula Vista: Fall 2004. Vol. 41, Iss. 3; pg. 188, 7 pgs

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 - a THE INDEPENDENT LEARNING CONTRACT SYSTEM: MOTIVATING STUDENTS ENROLLED IN COLLEGE READING.
 - b “Reading Improvement.” Chula Vista.
 - c “Reading Improvement.”
 - d “Reading Improvement.” Chula Vista: Fall 2004. Vol. 41, Iss. 3; pg. 188, 7 pgs

- 3 To find alternative keywords for a search, which of the following should NOT be done:
 - a Look in the textbook
 - b Look in relevant articles
 - c Look in a thesaurus attached to the database
 - d Look in a dictionary

- 4 The ‘AND’ Boolean logical operator is used to create a search that:
 - a is complete
 - b is able to find the greatest number of sources
 - c is precise
 - d is for use in databases only

- 5 You require information on the topic of ‘topic sentences’ but when you use these words to search in the library catalogue you do not find anything. What keywords would be best to use?
 - a Paragraphs

- b Topic
 - c Essay
 - d Sentences
- 6 You use a web search engine (e.g. Google Scholar) to search for academic sources for an assignment and find some titles and abstracts for articles that look very useful, but no full text is available. What should you do?
- a Do not worry about finding the full text of the article as you can use the abstract for your assignment.
 - b Copy the article title and use it as a search term in an academic database in order to find the full text.
 - c Select keywords in the article title and search for the full text in the library catalogue.
 - d Copy the title and use it as a search term in the library catalogue to find the full text.
- 7 The four processes involved in reading are:
- a Preparing to read, reading for in-depth understanding, reading to assess critically and writing to create new meaning
 - b Searching, selecting, reading and thinking
 - c The early stage, the middle stage, the final stage and writing
 - d Preparing to read, skimming and scanning, reading the topic sentences and writing margin notes
- 8 The reason you re-examine the ‘big picture’ after you have read an article is to notice:
- a the headings and subheadings.
 - b the argument in the section.
 - c the way topic sentences are linked.
 - d the linking words used in topic sentences.
- 9 How can you tell if a claim is well supported in the literature?
- a A number of sources make the same claim.
 - b The author is very well respected.
 - c You agree with it.
 - d It is described fully in the article.
- 10 A concept map displays:
- a the results of brainstorming after reading.
 - b the main concepts and the way they are linked together.
 - c the main concepts and makes them easy to understand through the use of images and colour.
 - d the main concepts, the way the concepts link together and their hierarchical relationships.

Answers

- 1 B
- 2 A
- 3 D
- 4 C
- 5 C
- 6 B

- 7 A
- 8 B
- 9 A
- 10 D