



Welcome to *Readerhead* – an eight-episode short course in how to read more effectively that covers topics like prereading, annotating, and vocabulary building. If you plan to watch all the videos, it is best to begin with “Episode One: Structure” and then proceed in order: “Episode Two: Prereading”; “Episode Three: Annotations”; and so forth, until you finish “Episode Eight: Taking Notes with Lectures and Videos.” However, if you just want to improve a specific area (like, say “Annotations”) it is fine to pick just one video to watch. Some videos, it is helpful to have the materials that go with the videos on hand. Your librarian or tutor may be able to provide you with those. Happy reading!

Episode One: Structure – A “text” is a group of words that has a specific point or purpose and that can be read. In this video, discover how the different parts of a text work together to create meaning.

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Episode Two: Prereading – Find out how to use the structure of a text to prepare your brain to read an essay more effectively.

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Episode Three: Annotations – Learn how to take notes *as you read* in order to understand a text more clearly.

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Episode Four: Finding the Main Idea – Practice how to spot the main idea inside of a text.

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Episode Five: Finding Implied Main Ideas – Discover what to do if a text does not directly state a main idea.

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Episode Six: Vocabulary and Notecard Booklets – Learn a technique for building your vocabulary.

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Episode Seven: Word Parts – Find out how words are often created in order to understand them better.

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Episode Eight: Taking Notes with Lectures and Videos – See a technique for taking notes when you are watching a lecture or video.

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