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# Map of the book

	Unit number	Title	Topic	How to
Social and Travel	1	We're here!	Airports and travel	<ul> <li>identify English words</li> <li>follow signs and read notices at an airport</li> <li>look at a website and find out the best way to travel on from an airport</li> </ul>
	2	What can I eat?	Food and eating out	<ul> <li>understand a text without knowing the meaning of every word</li> <li>book breakfast in a hotel</li> <li>choose food from a menu</li> </ul>
	3	Where will I find it?	Shopping	<ul> <li>scan a notice to find the information you need</li> <li>find out when shops are open</li> <li>read a store guide and find out where to buy things</li> <li>read signs to understand them</li> </ul>
	4	Can I get money here?	Money	<ul> <li>buy money at a Currency Exchange and understand a leaflet about returning unused currency</li> <li>predict the content of a text by thinking about the topic in your own language</li> <li>follow instructions to use an ATM</li> </ul>
	5	Somewhere to stay	Hotels	<ul> <li>skim a hotel website and form an opinion of the hotel</li> <li>find out details about a hotel's facilities</li> <li>choose a suitable hotel</li> </ul>
	6	Is this what I need?	Health care and toiletries	<ul> <li>identify and find things in a chemist's</li> <li>skim a text to find the part that is most useful to you</li> <li>decide if medication is suitable</li> <li>follow instructions on packets</li> </ul>
	7	Who's it from?	Keeping in touch	<ul> <li>work out the main purposes of cards</li> <li>read a message aloud</li> <li>understand a message on a card</li> <li>identify types of messages</li> <li>read a message and respond to it</li> </ul>
	8	Where can we park?	Parking	<ul> <li>find words with similar meanings in a text</li> <li>try and work out the meaning of unknown words</li> <li>read a leaflet about parking and work out where to park</li> <li>find out about pay and display parking</li> </ul>



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Social and Travel	9	Let's go there	Bergen	<ul> <li>find out what is available at a Tourist Information office</li> <li>read a leaflet and find out when the attraction is open and how much it costs</li> <li>use grammar to help link words in sentences</li> </ul>
	10	I'd like to register	Health care	<ul> <li>find out how to register at a medical centre</li> <li>find out how to see a doctor</li> <li>put the sentences of a text into your own words</li> <li>complete a health questionnaire</li> </ul>
	11	What's on tonight?	Television and films	<ul> <li>use a dictionary with English definitions</li> <li>read a TV guide and choose programmes to watch</li> <li>read a film review and understand the writer's opinion</li> </ul>
Work and Study	12	This school sounds good!	Choosing a school	<ul> <li>find out about a language school from its website</li> <li>guess the meaning of new words from the context</li> <li>choose a language course</li> </ul>
	13	I've chosen this one!	Readers	<ul> <li>use the cover and blurb of a book to predict its type and topic</li> <li>choose a reader</li> <li>read whole sections of a story without stopping</li> </ul>
	14	Use a pencil!	Exams	<ul> <li>read and understand a description of the KET exam</li> <li>identify exam tasks</li> <li>follow exam instructions and do the tasks</li> </ul>
	15	It's on the noticeboard	Jobs and advertisements	<ul> <li>scan advertisements and find information</li> <li>understand a list of tips</li> <li>skim advertisements and decide if they are useful</li> </ul>
	16	I'm working nights	In the workplace	<ul> <li>work out who and what pronouns and possessive adjectives refer to</li> <li>find out about the duties of a job</li> <li>understand a memo</li> <li>identify duties that have not been carried out</li> </ul>

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# Introduction To the student

## Who is Real Reading 1 for?

You can use this book if you are a student at elementary level and you want to improve your English reading. You can use the book alone without a teacher or you can use it in a classroom with a teacher.

## How will Real Reading 1 help me with my reading?

Real Reading 1 contains texts for everyday reading practice, for example TV guides, leaflets, advertisements, maps, signs in shops and instructions on medication. It is designed to help you with reading you will need to do when visiting or living in an English-speaking country.

The exercises in each unit help you develop useful skills such as working out the meaning of unknown words from context and ignoring parts of the text which are not useful to you. It is designed to help you with reading you will need to do in English at home or when visiting another country.

### How is Real Reading 1 organized?

The book has 16 units and is divided into two sections:

- Units 1–11 social and travel situations
- Units 12–16 work and study situations

Every unit is divided into Reading A and Reading B and has:

- Get ready to read: to introduce you to the topic of the unit
- Learning tip: to help you improve your learning
- Class bonus: an exercise you can do with other students or friends
- Focus on: to help you study useful grammar or vocabulary
- *Did you know?*: extra information about vocabulary, different cultures or the topic of the unit
- Extra practice: an extra exercise for more practice
- Can-do checklist: to help you think about what you learnt in the unit

After each section there is a review unit. The reviews help you practise the skills you learn in each section.

At the back of the book you can find:

- Appendices: contain lists of Useful language, Learning tips for every unit and information about Using a dictionary
- Answer key (only in self-study edition): gives correct answers and possible answers for exercises that have more than one answer

### How can I use Real Reading 1?

The units at the end of the book are more difficult than the units at the beginning of the book. However, you do not need to do the units in order. It is better to choose the units that are most interesting for you and to do them in the order you prefer.

There are many different ways you can use this book. We suggest you work in this way:

- Look in the *Contents* list and find a unit that interests you.
- Prepare yourself for reading by working through the *Get* ready to read exercises.
- Look at Appendix 1: Useful language for the unit.
- Do the exercises in Reading A. Use the example answers to guide you. Put the *Learning tip* into practice (either in Reading A or Reading B).
- Do the exercises in Reading B.
- Check your answers with your teacher.
- If you want to do more work, do the Extra practice activity.
- At the end of the unit, think about what you learnt and complete the *Can-do checklist*.
- Look at the list of *Learning tips* in *Appendix 2* and decide which other tips you have used in the unit.

# Introduction To the teacher

## What is Cambridge English Skills?

Real Reading 1 is one of 12 books in the Cambridge English Skills series. The series also contains Real Writing and Real Listening & Speaking books and offers skills training to students from elementary to advanced level. All the books are available in with-answers and without-answers editions.

Level	Book	Author
	Real Reading 1 with answers	Liz Driscoll
	Real Reading 1 without answers	Liz Driscoll
Elementary CEF: A2	Real Writing 1 with answers and audio CD	Graham Palmer
Cambridge ESOL: KET NQF Skills for life: Entry 2	Real Writing 1 without answers	Graham Palmer
	Real Listening & Speaking 1 with answers and audio CDs (2)	Miles Craven
	Real Listening & Speaking 1 without answers	Miles Craven
	Real Reading 2 with answers	Liz Driscoll
	Real Reading 2 without answers	Liz Driscoll
Pre-intermediate CEF: B1	Real Writing 2 with answers and audio CD	Graham Palmer
Cambridge ESOL: PET NQF Skills for life: Entry 3	Real Writing 2 without answers	Graham Palmer
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	Real Listening & Speaking 2 without answers	Sally Logan & Craig Thaine
	Real Reading 3 with answers	Liz Driscoll
Intermediate to	Real Reading 3 without answers	Liz Driscoll
upper-intermediate CEF: B2	Real Writing 3 with answers and audio CD	Roger Gower
Cambridge ESOL: FCE	Real Writing 3 without answers	Roger Gower
NQF Skills for life: Level 1	Real Listening & Speaking 3 with answers and audio CDs (2)	Miles Craven
	Real Listening & Speaking 3 without answers	Miles Craven
	Real Reading 4 with answers	Liz Driscoll
	Real Reading 4 without answers	Liz Driscoll
Advanced CEF: C1	Real Writing 4 with answers and audio CD	Simon Haines
Cambridge ESOL: CAE NQF Skills for life: Level 2	Real Writing 4 without answers	Simon Haines
2. 2	Real Listening & Speaking 4 with answers and audio CDs (2)	Miles Craven
	Real Listening & Speaking 4 without answers	Miles Craven

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#### Where are the teacher's notes?

The series is accompanied by a dedicated website containing detailed teaching notes and extension ideas for every unit of every book. Please visit www.cambridge.org/englishskills to access the *Cambridge English Skills* teacher's notes.

### What are the main aims of Real Reading 1?

- To help students develop reading skills in accordance with the ALTE (Association of Language Testers in Europe) Can-do statements. These statements describe what language users can typically do at different levels and in different contexts. Visit www.alte.org for further information.
- To encourage autonomous learning by focusing on learner training.

### What are the key features of Real Reading 1?

- It is aimed at elementary learners of English at level A2 of the Council of Europe's CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages).
- It contains 16 four-page units, divided into two sections: Social and Travel and Work and Study.
- Real Reading 1 units are divided into Reading A and Reading B and contain:
  - Get ready to read warm-up exercises to get students thinking about the topic
  - Learning tips which give students advice on how to improve their reading and their learning
  - Class bonus communication activities for pairwork and group work so that you can adapt the material to suit your classes
  - Focus on exercises which provide contextualized practice in particular grammar or vocabulary areas
  - Did you know? boxes which provide notes on cultural or linguistic differences between English-speaking countries, or factual information on the topic of the unit
  - Extra practice extension tasks which provide more real world reading practice
  - Can-do checklists at the end of every unit to encourage students to think about what they have learnt
- There are two review units to practise skills that have been introduced in the units.
- It has an international feel and contains a range of texts from English-speaking and other countries.
- It can be used as self-study material, in class, or as supplementary homework material.

## What is the best way to use *Real Reading 1* in the classroom?

The book is designed so that the units may be used in any order, although the more difficult units naturally appear near the end of the book, in the *Work and Study* section.

You can consult the unit-by-unit teacher's notes at www.cambridge.org/englishskills for detailed teaching ideas. However, broadly speaking, different parts of the book can be approached in the following ways:

- Useful language: You can use the Useful language lists in Appendix 1 to preteach or revise the vocabulary from the unit you are working on.
- Get ready to read: It is a good idea to use this section as an introduction to the topic. Students can work on the exercises in pairs or groups. Many of these require students to answer questions about their personal experience. These questions can be used as prompts for discussion. Some exercises contain a problem-solving element that students can work on together. Other exercises aim to clarify key vocabulary in the unit. You can present these vocabulary items directly to students.
- Learning tips: You can ask students to read and discuss these in an open-class situation. An alternative approach is for you to create a series of discussion questions associated with the Learning tip. Students can discuss their ideas in pairs or small groups followed by open-class feedback. The Learning tip acts as a reflective learning tool to help promote learner autonomy.
- Class bonuses: The material in these activities aims to provide freer practice. You can set these up carefully, then take the role of observer during the activity so that students carry out the task freely. You can make yourself available to help students or to analyze the language they produce during the activity.
- Extra practice: These activities can be set as homework or out-of-class projects for your students. Alternatively, students can do some activities in pairs during class time.
- Can-do checklists: Refer to these at the beginning of a lesson to explain to students what the lesson will cover, and again at the end so that students can evaluate their learning for themselves.
- Appendices: You may find it useful to refer your students to the Useful language, Learning tips and Using a dictionary sections. Students can use these as general checklists to help them with their reading.