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**Books in Print** Holt McDougal

In designing a successful English for Specific Purposes (ESP) course, an ESP lecturer must research the professional setting and in turn analyze, abstract and synthesize its linguistic characteristics. Expert vocabulary, typical syntactic structures, relevant morphological word formation processes, exemplary text organization and both written and spoken stylistics are no longer taught with little functional relevance, instead they are approached from a subject-specific perspective. While designing and/ or compiling teaching and learning material, an ESP lecturer must decide upon the appropriate teaching methodology and pedagogy in order to ensure that the course in its entirety simulates a particular professional situation. Only if the course is successful in this aim, will ESP learners be able to quickly engage in uninhibited communication and improve job performance in their field of work, whether that be in tourism or aviation.

Although many professional settings share certain characteristics, they are nevertheless unique and often require different approaches. For this reason, there is little or no ready-made teaching material or methodological approaches when it comes to ESP teaching. A dedicated ESP lecturer caters for those idiosyncrasies doing a minute, multifaceted investigation into the linguistic characteristics of the relevant professional domain. Bringing together a collection of essays, this edited volume reveals the variety, depth, and quality of the ESP research and its convergence across different professional disciplines.

*Developing Reading Skills* Heinle & Heinle Pub

The key to sustained competitive advantage in any industry is not size, image, or technology. It's talent, particularly at the leadership level. Your organization's future depends on its ability to identify, retain, and prepare a dependable bench - its next generation of leaders - continuously. Over the next several years, the baby boomers who have engineered some of America's greatest business growth will be retiring in huge numbers, creating talent gaps and unprecedented competition to fill them. How can your company stay ahead of the curve? Bench

Strength offers a step-by-step approach to building a powerful talent strategy that will ensure the perpetual availability of potential leaders. Author Robert Barner leads you through important decisions about talent focus, including: The Make or Buy Decision: Should your talent strategy be focused primarily on developing leadership from within, or on acquiring ready-made leaders from other organizations? The Capstone/Foundation Decision: Should you concentrate development efforts on a few high-potential individuals, or spread resources across a broader section of your overall leadership bench? The Stream or Pool Decision: Should you identify successor candidates for specific leadership positions, or retain pools of potential leaders who may be qualified for any of a number of leadership positions as they become available? The Trade-Up or Build-Out Decision: Should you build bench strength by progressively trading up from marginally performing managers to high performers, or quickly expand the leadership talent base by hiring a large group of potential managers simultaneously? The Best-in-Industry or World Class Decision: Is your best talent strategy to focus on your own industry, or to look for cream-of-the-crop talent regardless of particular industry experience? The book also reveals the Seven Principles of Talent Deployment, which will help align your strongest players with your most critical and challenging needs. And the author's war games approach to pre-testing of talent strategies will put the organization in fine shape to address both in-house what-if issues and new developments in industry or market conditions. Barner also advocates for the creation of a new position in your organization, that of Chief Talent Officer. A new and increasingly recognized strategy, the hiring of a talent executive is a significant step with lasting implications, so you'll want to find out as much as you can about the potential talent officer. To that end, the author presents ten detailed questions to ask CTO candidates, the answers to which will illuminate their approach to evaluating talent, their ability to play a point position for the organization, their knowledge of your industry and the company's place within it, and much more.

*New Media for Reading Versatility Workshop* Harcourt Brace Jovanovich Incorporated

Become a diverse and in-demand drummer by learning drumbeats in a wide variety of styles---from rock and jazz to reggae and Afro-Cuban, warm-ups and stick control exercises to improve your technique, reading exercises to prepare you for sight-reading at a gig, practical tips for improving your groove and timekeeping abilities, and much more!

*Developing Reading Versatility 10e-1m/Testbank* Cengage Learning

Research on reading has tried, and failed, to account for wide disparities in reading skill even among children taught by the same method. Why do some children learn to read easily and quickly while others, in the same classroom and taught by the same teacher, don't learn to read at all? In *Language Development and Learning to Read*, Diane McGuinness examines scientific research that might explain these disparities. She focuses on reading predictors, analyzing the effect individual differences in specific perceptual, linguistic, and cognitive skills may have on a child's ability to read. Because of the serious methodological problems she finds in the existing research on reading, many of the studies McGuinness cites come from other fields—developmental psychology, psycholinguistics, and the speech and hearing sciences—and provide a new perspective on which language functions matter most for reading and academic success. McGuinness first examines the phonological development theory—the theory that phonological awareness follows a developmental path from words to syllables to phonemes—which has dominated reading research for thirty

years, and finds that research evidence from other disciplines does not support the theory. McGuinness then looks at longitudinal studies on the development of general language function, and finds a "tantalizing connection" between core language functions and reading success. Finally, she analyzes mainstream reading research, which links reading ability to specific language skills, and the often flawed methodology used in these studies. McGuinness's analysis shows the urgent need for a shift in our thinking about how to achieve reading success. *Developing Reading Versatility* Harcourt Brace College Publishers

A collection of texts emphasizing guided reading practice and the development of reading speed, for those who want to strengthen their reading skills for academic, personal, or career purposes.

**The Reading Teacher** Amacom Books

The Versatility Factor helps individuals, teams and entire organizations around the world by teaching people the core elements of Social Intelligence: their behavior, their emotions and their mindset. Most people are unaware the impact that these elements have on them in how they interact with others and how they frame what is happening in the world around them. By focusing on these elements, each person can learn to thrive in the workplace, even in the face of rapid technological shifts and organizational changes.

**Canadian Books in Print. Author and Title Index** Cambridge Scholars Publishing

Appropriate for courses designed to improve reading comprehension, study skills, and reading rate, *Developing Reading Versatility 8e* provides a variety of reading lessons and practice opportunities for college students who need experience with all levels of comprehension: literal, critical, and affective.

*Developing Reading Strategies* Routledge

Sutton Trust research showed that disadvantaged children were 11.5 months behind advantaged peers in reading by the end of their first year of primary education, and never caught up. By the time these students were completing their GCSE examinations, they were 20 months behind. This book provides a 7-point plan to change this, so that all children, including those with dyslexia, can become readers by the end of Year 1 and critical readers in secondary school. The changes proposed are cost-free, in terms of both money and teachers' time. This book is for educators and their students, early years teachers, English teachers and Special Education Co-ordinators (SENCOs) in primary and secondary schools, and in Further Education as well as reading researchers and policy makers. Altogether, the 7-point plan proposed in this book will improve reading fluency, comprehension, and subject attainments across the curriculum, including mathematics.

**Partner Reading** Cambridge Scholars Publishing

Use the activities in this book to help students develop reading fluency and increased comprehension as a result. The book includes four sections filled with reproducibles that provide fun and easy strategies to help students develop reading fluency. It also includes two sections to provide intervention for students struggling with developing reading fluency.

**Dyslexia-friendly Strategies for Reading, Spelling and Handwriting** Creative Teaching Press

Reading, a complex and multi-faceted skill, is essential for life and academic success. While its mysteries still baffle first-language research, the nature of reading in a foreign language presents an even greater puzzle. However, given reading's importance for EFL students who study their specializations in English, and whose future employment may depend on their competence in it, researchers must continue to investigate foreign language reading and devise ways of improving students' capacity for it. Hence, this book, with its thorough coverage of up-to-date theory, practice and research, will be of great value in

today's educational context. As they strive to understand reading and help EFL students to acquire it, researchers and language teachers will find much of value here.

**Conversations with Igor Stravinsky** Faber & Faber

Conversations with Igor Stravinsky is the first of the celebrated series of conversation books in which Stravinsky, prompted by Robert Craft, reviewed his long and remarkable life. The composer brings the Imperial Russia of his childhood vividly into focus, at the same time scanning what were at the time the brave new horizons of Boulez and Stockhausen with extraordinary acuity. Stravinsky answers searching questions about his musical development and recalls his association with Diaghilev and the Russian Ballet. There are sympathetic and extraordinarily illuminating reminiscences of such composers as Debussy and Ravel ('the only musicians who immediately understood *Le Sacre du Printemps*'), while mischievous squibs are directed at others, most notably perhaps against Richard Strauss, all of whose operas Stravinsky wished 'to admit ... to whichever purgatory punishes triumphant banality'. The conversations are by no means confined to musical subjects, ranging uninhibitedly across all the arts: Stravinsky gives unforgettable sketches of Ibsen, Rodin, Proust, Giacometti, Dylan Thomas and T S Eliot. 'The conversations between Igor Stravinsky and Robert Craft are unique in musical history. The penetration of Craft's questions and the patience and detail of Stravinsky's answers combine to produce an intimate picture of a man who has sometimes puzzled, often delighted, and always intrigued ...'

The Sunday Times

*Georgetown University Round Table on Languages and Linguistics (GURT) 1994: Educational Linguistics, Cross-Cultural Communication, and Global Interdependence* Cengage Learning

Many pupils with dyslexia have poor spelling and handwriting, even when their reading is adequate. This practical yet evidence-based book shows teachers who work with pupils with dyslexia how they can effectively address these areas of weakness. Diane Montgomery introduces her popular Cognitive Process Strategies for Spelling (CPSS) and provides guidance on how this direct action can be successfully used in both primary and secondary contexts. The book describes dyslexia-friendly approaches in Logographic, Alphabetic and Orthographic phases - 'the three faces' of dyslexia. Best literacy practice for all children is illustrated in a developmental reading and spelling approach, handwriting as a support to literacy teaching is explained and strategies for overcoming handwriting difficulties are detailed from Reception onwards. *Dyslexia-friendly Strategies for Reading, Spelling and Handwriting* is full of new research, case examples and practical methods that have been tried and tested in the classroom. This is a must-read guide for all teachers and SENCOs in primary and secondary settings working with pupils with dyslexia.

*Developing Reading Skills* Vernon Press

This volume represents a unique addition to the growing body of empirical literature on materials development, adopting a reverse approach to the topic. Rather than applying 'theory to practice', practitioners and researchers from 11 countries reappraise applied linguistics theories through practice. The book also provides evidence for the diversity of materials development around the globe at different levels for different specialities and

for different purposes. Each chapter surveys the relevant literature (such as task-based learning and language and culture), describes a specific research project, reports the results of the project, and discusses the implications of these results for the development of materials both in the local context and in general. After each section there are editorial comments highlighting the issues emerging from the research, and there is a conclusion which connects the findings of the various chapters and makes suggestions both for future research and for the principled development of materials for L2 learners. The book will be suitable for teachers, materials developers, academics and students in post-graduate courses in applied linguistics, in TEFL/TESOL and in the teaching of other languages as an L2.

**Developing Reading Skills** Cambridge Scholars Publishing  
Grade level: 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, e, i, s, t.

**Development Reading Versatility** MIT Press

Carefully explains and illustrates ten key reading skills that are widely recognized to be essential for literal and critical comprehension. Provides activities and reading selections to help you practice and master those skills.

*Developing Reading Strategies* Georgetown University Press

The essays in this volume explore communication across cultures using an interdisciplinary approach to language teaching and learning, mediated by the growing field of educational linguistics. Topics include the use of English as a medium of wider communication and the growth of national varieties of English throughout the world. An international array of distinguished contributors includes scholars from China, Great Britain, Hong Kong, India, Israel, Nigeria, Singapore, Taiwan, Ukraine, and the United States. This collection suggests that language diversity is a unifying force in a globally interdependent world.

*Developing Reading Skills and Comprehension* University of Toronto Press

Grade level: 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, e, i, s, t.

*The Effects and Results of Experimental Training in Rapid Silent Reading Techniques* Alfred Music Publishing

Authentic, high-interest passages are paired with reading, writing, comprehension, and discussion activities that integrate new skills and ideas into students' knowledge and experience. -- A thematic organization in each book allows for natural recycling and spiralling of concepts, vocabulary, and syntactic structures, and develops a comprehensive range of reading skills that promote critical thinking and writing skills. -- Pre-reading activities activate background knowledge and set the stage for successful integration of new ideas and concepts. -- Three interesting reading selections per unit, drawn from a variety of genres, promote the acquisition of a diverse and broad-based set of reading skills. Readings and activities focus on *The Rights of Children*, *The Changing Family*, *Education Around the World*, *How to Give a Speech (and Listen To One)*, *The fascinating World of the Honeybee*, and additional Expansion Activities for writing practice.

**Reading Versatility Tests**

Appropriate for courses designed to improve reading comprehension, study skills, and reading rate, **DEVELOPING READING VERSATILITY** provides a variety of reading lessons and practice opportunities for readers who need experience with all levels of comprehension: literal, critical, and affective.

**Developing Reading Versatility**