

## Advice Column

# problems about *reading*

- Read the problems below and discuss possible solutions.



# Ask Anita!

**Dear Anita,**

I really enjoy reading, especially short stories and novels. However, it takes a long time for me to read anything in English. There are a lot of words that I don't understand, so I have to use a dictionary. Last month, our reading teacher gave us an English novel to read, but so far I have read only 20 pages and I still have to read 80 pages before next week. How can I improve my reading speed and finish the novel before next week?

*Sharon*

**Dear Anita,**

I hate reading. I love to watch TV and go on-line, but I don't like to read. But improving my reading ability is important for me because I'm a high school student now and next year I will study at university. I don't want to get C's and D's, I want to get A's. Is there anything I can do that will make me enjoy reading more and maybe even turn me into a bookworm?

*Simon*

**Dear Anita,**

You read about lots of problems from lots of people all over the world, so I know you can help me – I know a lot of vocabulary and I am a fast reader, but I still don't do very well on reading tests. As well, I often don't understand the main idea of articles in magazines and journals. What advice can you give me that will help me understand more of what I read?

*Albert*



- Compare your solutions with different classmates. Do you agree or disagree with their ideas?