

More about Reading and Use of English

1. How is the book structured?

The book consists of four main parts and an appendix.

Part One

A short introduction that serves as a background to the tasks:

- Modern language examinations,
- CEF scales,
- Description of the reading process,
- Text types,
- Reading skills,
- Testing techniques (task types) for both reading and use of English

Part Two

- Practice tasks for reading

Part Three

- Practice tasks for the use of English

Part Four

- Key to the tasks

Appendix

- “Guidelines for writers of reading and use of English tests” is a collection of practical suggestions for those who wish to design tasks

2. How do the introductions to the chapters help me?

- Problems that might occur (for example, students exceeding the word limit in short answer questions)
- Practical tips on how to solve the task (for example, how to handle tricky multiple-choice items)
- Advice on how to prepare your students for solving the task (for example, in the “matching sentences to gaps” task students are advised to consider carefully the sentence before and after the gap, looking for such clues as word repetition, tense, reference words, etc.)