MReader in Practical English II

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Introduction

This paper will discuss and outline the main features of MReader -- a website with, as of this writing, free quizzes for over 3500 graded readers. MReader is hosted by the Extensive Reading Foundation (ERF) and was developed with research funds from the Japanese Ministry of Education and Kyoto Sangyo University. It is also supported through advertising and donations. MReader was piloted in PE5 and PE6, the author's two Finishing PE II (Practical English II) classes during the 2013 spring term at YCU (Yokohama City University). This paper will introduce the educational setting, discuss how graded readers are used in the courses, and explain and evaluate how the site was used.

PE II

PE II is one of three required classes in the current PE program at YCU founded by Carl McGary in 2007. PE I and PE III focus on listening and grammar respectively, while PE II focuses on reading. However, all PE classes are considered four-skill classes. Each class meets once a week for 90 minutes for fifteen weeks per semester. Usually there are between twenty to twenty-five students in each class. According to their scores on the TOEFL-ITP (Test of English as a Foreign Language – Institutional Testing Program), students are placed into one of two levels: Extending (310-450) and Finishing (450-677). The TOEFL-ITP test is the required final exam at the end of the semester. For both levels students must receive at least the minimum possible score (310) to pass. They must also hand in an application with an attached score report indicating a minimum score of 500 on the TOEFL-ITP, or the following equivalent results on

other standard tests:

Table 1

600	TOIEC (Test of English in Communication)
61	iBT-TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language – Internet Based Test)
500	PBT-TOEFL (Paper Based Test – Test of English as a Foreign Language)
Pre-1	STEP (Society for Testing English Proficiency)

The necessary scores for higher grades (regardless of outside test scores) are as follows:

Table 2

B	450 or more
A	500 or more
SA	520 or more

At the time MReader was piloted *The Longman Preparation Course for the TOEFL Test: The Paper Test* (2003) was a required text for all PE classes and *American Headway 3 and 4* (2010) were required specifically for Extending and Finishing level PE II classes, respectively. Additionally, there is a substantial extensive reading (ER) program based on graded readers.

Graded Readers in PE II

Graded readers are, according to Dr. Rob Waring (2012a) of ERF: books written for language learners which have simplified vocabulary and grammar to aid easier reading. Typically, graded readers are part of a series of books which range from very easy to quite difficult (para 5) .

He defines ER as, "an approach to reading that emphasizes fluent reading of a lot of text at a comfortable pace and with high levels of understanding. Typically, this reading is enjoyable and rewarding, and should not be struggle (para 2)."

Waring (2012b, para 7) identifies 4 different types of ER programs adapted here:

Table 3

Lots of self-selected reading at home with no/little assessment or follow-up. Often a stand-alone class.	Purist ER

Lots of self-selected reading at home and in class. Follow exercises/reports which aim to build the 4 skills.	Integrated
Students read the same book and work through it slowly. Lots of follow-up/ comprehension work and exercises.	Class reading
Students read the same book and discuss it as if it were a work of literature.	ER as 'literature'

Probably "integrated" best describes the PE II ER program. There are over 450 readers from the Penguin Reader, Oxford Bookworms and Macmillan series to choose from in the PE Center (PEC) and students are expected to complete one book a week, both in Finishing and Extending classes. Students do a variety of post reading tasks including quizzes, presentations, discussions, and book reports.

The website for MReader (2013) states that it "allows teachers (and students) to verify that they have read and understood their reading. This is done via a simple 10-item quiz with items drawn from a larger item bank of 20-30 so that each student receives a different set of items" (para 2). In this regard MReader is more easily adaptable to our ER program than paper-based quizzes for all our readers. If the students have read the reader the accompanying quiz should be easy. The passing mark is 60%, but can be adjusted. It is now also possible to see specific percentages and not just whether a student has passed or not. While generally discouraged, Robb notes this "can be particularly useful if you want to see if students are really trying or are simply 'gaming the system. (personal communication)" He discourages teachers from evaluating students on percentage scores however.

According to its site, MReader is "a completely rewritten version of the public 'MoodleReader' module that is available at http://moodlereader.org. Moodle is a popular learning content management system. This new version, which is supported by the various graded reader publishers, is intended to be easy for administrators, teachers and students to use (para 1)." While the above mentioned site is no longer accepting new schools, the reader module is available for incorporating into a school's own Moodle system. Users can contact Dr. Tom

Robb of Kyoto Sangyo University (tom@moodlereader.org) for an authorization to download the quizzes or to use the software after setting up an account.

After contacting Robb at tom@tomrobb.com, he assigned the author an access code. According to him (personal communication) "any legitimate school is welcome to use mreader.org free of charge." However, as the first person from YCU to request access, the author became "the administrator" (with McGary's permission) until someone else at YCU wishes to take the position.

Robb provided links to two short screencasts: one that gives an overview of the system (http://www.screencast-o-matic.com/watch/cin6XBVI5P) and one that shows the set-up procedure for the school (http://www.screencast-o-matic.com/watchclnihTVIFI). The author learned that MReader quizzes contain ordering, multiple choice and true/false questions. Below is a typical example. Students must choose from a pull down list of names next to each gap in the item.

Who said this? Who was it said to?

"Don't you know? It's Kirk O'Bane." _____ said this to _____.

This is a particularly good test item because a reference to Kurt Cobain and the mishearing "Kirk O'Bane" is only the graded reader version of *About a Boy* (1998) and not the film adaptation of the original novel (2002). So, students could not pass at least that item by simply watching the movie.

Students cannot retake a quiz unless the teacher adjusts the setting. The time to take a quiz and the time limit can also be adjusted. Teachers cannot view individual quizzes to see how students performed on specific items, but Robb points out that this is not the intended purpose of MReader (personal communication) however quiz results are periodically reviewed and poorly performing items are omitted. Students who pass receive a book cover on their own home page. Appendix A shows an example provided by Robb.

MReader also records individual and class data for instructors and administrators including number of books read, number of quizzes passed and

number of words read. Teachers can set reading levels and word count goals.

Results

Students did well. Out of the 246 quizzes taken in both classes, representing 3,328,758 words read, only 2 received a failing score. The average number of words read in the PE5 class was 58,293 and the average in the PE6 class was 61,252. The highest number of words read by one PE5 student was 162,553 and the highest in the PE6 class was 170,550. Although it should be disclosed that such a high rate of success has not be repeated in the author's subsequent PE class, one reason is perhaps because he was teaching lower level students.

Care was taken to monitor that students were not cheating by researching the books on the Internet, however this is a potential risk and good reason to have MReader quizzes as an in-class activity. It should also be noted that a function to detect cheating has also been recently added to the school administrator and teacher pages. Robb reports (personal communication) it works two ways: "1) It shows students who took the quiz at approximately the same time and displays the IP address used, and 2) It can show students who have taken the same cluster of quizzes which might mean that one is helping the other, or that they are cooperating by taking half of the quizzes each."

The average number of quizzes taken in both classes was approximately 4.5. Some students did not take quizzes for all the readers they read for a number of reasons: for example, being absent for the quizzes. More significantly, as with Pennington (2011), it was discovered that some students had read readers that did not have quizzes, even though the site as of this writing has around 1300 more than when Pennington's students had used the site and "new quizzes are being add at dizzying pace," according to Robb (personal communication).

Also Robb reports (personal communication) that "for schools that are more interested in the ability of students to record which books they have read without

requiring quizzes, there is an option for student self-management. This applies to the whole school, however, not to individual students currently." He adds that "one important use of this function is to eliminate the temptation for students to read a lower level book and then take the quiz of a different publisher of the same title that has a higher word count."

It is also possible for PE instructors to develop their own quizzes for the site and important to note the PE department will adopt Moodle in the future. McGary has suggested the possibility of creating in-house graded reader quizzes for the PE program. The questions could be student-generated and teacher-monitored (personal communication).

However, to address this issue for the short term, the author asked Keiko Harada, who staffed the PEC full time, to provide a list of readers with matching quizzes (Appendix B). As of May, 2013, 396 titles matched. The breakdown of titles for each PEC level are as follows:

Table 4

PEC Level 2	PEC Level 3	PEC Level 4	PEC Level 5	PEC Level 6
116	120	97	39	24

Note: MReader quizzes are divided into 10 levels based on difficulty whereas the PEC has 5. However Robb reports "it is now possible for schools to select which quizzes their students see and even re-jigger the levels to reflect your own leveling system (personal communication)."

Areas for Further Study and Action Research

As noted, this paper discussed only the main features of MReader. One advanced, unpiloted feature is post-quiz questions. These follow-up questions are relatively "untested" according to Robb (personal communication). They can be used to assess students' attitudes and approaches to graded readers. There are five current questions on the school administration page (Appendix C). Teachers can delete these questions and/or new questions. During the November, 2013 monthly fulltime faculty meeting the author introduced the post-quiz feature and invited McGary, Assistant Director, Chihiro Kato, fulltime teachers, and Harada to

suggest any new questions which could be added for a potential study.

Conclusion

Although it took some getting used to, MReader was a success overall with both classes and relatively simple to use. Based on informal observations and feedback, students generally enjoyed MReader, admittedly in part because the quizzes are easier than reader reports.

The author has previously written about reader reports in PE (2013) and still contends that they are valuable, especially since they are the main opportunity for writing instruction in PE. MReader does not need to replace reader reports or any other post reading activities. It is simply an alternative/supplement and a technology that can be easily adapted into a curriculum.

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Appendix A

Books read this term

Reading Report For: YUSUKE 岩橋　佑介 IWAHASHI

Date	Book Title	Level	Status	Words	Total words
13 Apr 2011	The Wizard of Oz	Stage 1[RL 4]	Passed	5440	5440
24 Apr 2011	Red Roses	Starter[RL 1]	Passed	1700	7140
26 Apr 2011	One-Way Ticket – Short Stories	Stage 1[RL 4]	Passed	5520	12660
28 Apr 2011	The Monkey's Paw	Stage 1[RL 4]	Passed	5830	18490
30 Apr 2011	White Death	Stage 1[RL 4]	Passed	6600	25090
10 May 2011	Mutiny on the Bounty	Stage 1[RL 4]	Passed	5825	30915
15 May 2011	The Withered Arm	Stage 1[RL 4]	Passed	5735	36650
18 May 2011	The Coldest Place on Earth	Stage 1[RL 4]	Passed	5500	42150

Total Words Read this Term: 42150	Total Words Read All Terms: 42150

GOAL

0   10   20   30   40   50   60   70   80   90   100

In 1000s of words

Appendix B

PEC book number	PEC Level	m reader's Level	Title	Publisher	Genre	Words
2-1	2	3	A Christmas Carol	Penguin	Classics	8882
2-2	2	3	A White Heron	Penguin	Short stories	6500
2-3	2	3	Alice In Wonderland	Penguin	Fantasy	7693
2-4	2	3	The Amazon Rainforest	Penguin	Geography/ Environment	4964
2-5	2	3	American Life	Penguin	Culture	3082
2-6	2	3	Anne of Green Gables	Penguin	Classics	5500
2-6	2	3	Anne of Green Gables	Penguin Active Readers	Classics	7856
2-7	2	3	Another World	Penguin Active Readers	Science fiction	5054
2-8	2	3	Apollo 13	Penguin	Adventure	8119
2-9	2	3	Tales from the Arabian Nights	Penguin	Classics	9041
2-10	2	3	Audrey Hepburn	Penguin	Biography	3888
2-11	2	3	Babe - The Sheep Pig	Penguin	Adventure, Movies,	7378
2-12	2	3	Babe- Pig in the City	Penguin	Comedy	8165
2-13	2	3	Baywatch - The Inside Story	Penguin	Movies	7700
2-14	2	3	The Birds	Penguin	Thriller, Horror	6992
2-15	2	3	Black Beauty	Penguin	Historical, Classics	7746
2-17	2	3	Brad Pitt	Penguin	Biography	4200
2-18	2	3	The Call of the Wild	Penguin	Adventure	9280
2-18	2	3	The Call of the Wild	Penguin Active Readers	Classics	9280
2-19	2	3	The Cay	Penguin	Adventure	7600
2-20	2	3	Dantes Peak	Penguin	Adventure, Science fiction	7677
2-21	2	3	Don't Look Now	Penguin	Adventure	7200

2-22	2	3	Dragonheart	Penguin	Adventure	9770
2-23	2	3	ET	Penguin	Science fiction	6000
2-23	2	3	ET The Extra Terrestrial	Penguin Active Readers	Movies	6428
2-24	2	3	Earthquake	Penguin Active Readers	Young life, adventure	5191
2-25	2	3	Extreme Sports	Penguin	Sports	4128
2-27	2	3	Five Famous Fairy Tales	Penguin	Fantasy	9927
2-28	2	3	Fly Away Home	Penguin		9482
2-100	2	3	Pirates of the Caribbean: the Curse of the Black Pearl	Penguin	Movies	7438
2-101	2	3	The Whistle and Dead Men's Eyes	Penguin	Horror	8666
2-102	2	3	The Importance of Being Earnest	Penguin	Classics	8602
2-103	2	3	Marley & Me	Penguin	Human interest	10666
2-104	2	3	The Last Juror	Penguin Active Readers	Murder Mystery, Movies	9098
2-106	2	3	Stories of Other Worlds	Penguin Active Readers	Classics	8780
2-107	2	3	Don Quixote	Penguin Active Readers	Classics	11223
2-108	2	3	Kong	Penguin Active Readers	Movies	11277
2-109	2	3	Tim Burtons The Nightmare Before Christmas	Penguin Active Readers	Movies	8038
2-110	2	3	The First Emperor of China	Penguin Active Readers	Historical	4923
2-111	2	3	Wonders of the World	Penguin Active Readers	Geography/ Environment	4995
2-112	2	3	Barack Obama	Penguin	, Biography	6875
2-30	2	3	The Fox Volpone	Penguin	Classics, Comedy	8443
2-31	2	3	Freckles	Penguin	Romance	3402
2-33	2	3	Gandhi	Penguin	Biography, Human interest	7746
2-34	2	3	Gentlemen Prefer Blonds	Penguin	Movies	5600
2-35	2	3	The Ghost Of Genny Castle	Penguin	Horror	4514
2-36	2	3	Gucci -- Business in Fashion	Penguin	Biography	4500

2-37	2	3	Gullivers Travels	Penguin	Adventure, Classics	9681
2-38	2	3	Heidi	Penguin	Classics	8601
2-39	2	3	Hercules: Serpant's Shadow	Penguin	Adventure, Classics	8100
2-40	2	3	Hulk	Penguin	Movies	4950
2-41	2	3	Jaws	Penguin	Horror	7411
2-42	2	3	Johnny English	Penguin	Adventure	4907
2-43	2	3	Jumanji	Penguin	Fantasy	7638
2-44	2	3	The Jungle Book	Penguin	Adventure, Classics	8298
2-45	2	3	Jurassic Park III	Penguin	Movies, Adventure	7138
2-46	2	3	Kidnapped	Penguin	Adventure	7746
2-47	2	3	King Arthur and The Knights Of The Round Table	Penguin	Classics, Historical, Adventure	10369
2-48	2	3	The Lady In The Lake	Penguin	Thriller	7669
2-49	2	3	The Last of the Mohicans	Penguin	Classics, Adventure, Historical	6506
2-50	2	3	London	Penguin	Geography/ Environment	4876
2-51	2	3	Lost In New York	Penguin	Human interest	4875
2-52	2	3	Lost Love and Other Stories	Penguin	Romance	5424
2-53	2	3	The Luck of Roaring Camp and Other Stories	Penguin	Adventure	6900
2-54	2	3	Men in Black	Penguin	Science fiction	7587
2-56	2	3	Money to Burn	Penguin	Adventure	6050
2-57	2	3	Moonfleet	Penguin	Thriller	5390
2-58	2	3	Mr Bean	Penguin	Adventure, Comedy, Movies	6200
2-59	2	3	Mr. Bean in Town	Penguin	Comedy	4347
2-60	2	3	The Mummy	Penguin	Adventure, Horror	6574
2-61	2	3	The Mummy Returns	Penguin	Adventure, Horror	7901
2-62	2	3	The Mysterious Island	Penguin	Adventure	6370

2-63	2	3	Nelson Mandela	Penguin	Biography, Human interest	7746
2-64	2	3	Of Mice and Men	Penguin	Human interest	6512
2-66	2	3	Persuasion	Penguin	Classics	6575
2-67	2	3	The Prince and the Pauper	Penguin	Classics	9137
2-68	2	3	Project Omega	Penguin	Thriller	4325
2-69	2	3	The Railway Children	Penguin	Children's literature	4890
2-70	2	3	Robin Hood	Penguin	Human interest	8760
2-71	2	3	Robinson Crusoe	Penguin	Adventure	9711
2-73	2	3	The Room in the Tower	Penguin	Classics	7225
2-74	2	3	Round the World in Eighty Days	Penguin	Adventure	8400
2-74	2	4	Round the World in Eighty Days	Penguin Active Readers	Classics, Adventure	8579
2-75	2	3	The Scarlet Letter	Penguin	Human interest	7411
2-77	2	3	The Secret Garden	Penguin	Children's literature	9944
2-77	2	3	The Secret Garden	Penguin Active Readers	Classics	994
2-78	2	3	Three Short Stories of Sherlock Holmes	Penguin	Short stories, Thriller	9179
2-79	2	3	Simply Suspense	Penguin	Adventure, Thriller	7177
2-80	2	3	Slinky Jane	Penguin	Romance	6800
2-82	2	3	Stealing the Hills	Penguin	Young life, adventure	7875
2-83	2	3	The Storm	Penguin	Adventure	5200
2-84	2	3	Stranger than Fiction	Penguin	Short stories	7125
2-85	2	3	Sweet Valley High – Secrets	Penguin	Young life, adventure	7700
2-86	2	3	Tales from Hans Andersen	Penguin	Short stories, Classics	8094
2-87	2	3	The Three Musketeers	Penguin	Adventure, Classics	8557
2-88	2	3	Treasure Island	Penguin	Adventure	5723
2-89	2	3	The Story of the Treasure Seekers	Penguin	Young life, adventure	7000

2-90	2	3	The Voyages of Sindbad the Sailor	Penguin	Classics	13000
2-91	2	3	Walkabout	Penguin	Human interest	8436
2-92	2	3	Wanted: Anna Marker	Penguin	Adventure, Thriller	5500
2-93	2	3	Washington Square	Penguin	Classics	6800
2-94	2	3	The Wave	Penguin	Human interest	6591
2-95	2	3	The Weirdo	Penguin	Adventure, Human interest	6000
2-96	2	3	White Fang	Penguin	Classics	7746
2-97	2	3	The Wind in the Willows	Penguin	Classics,	8004
2-98	2	3	The Flintstones in Viva Rock Vegas	Penguin	Comedy, Movies	7600
ox2-1	2	5	The Canterville Ghost	Oxford Book-worms	Comedy	6100
ox2-1	2	3	The Canterville Ghost and the Model Millionaire	Penguin	Classics	5500
ox2-2	2	5	The Death of Karen Silkwood	Oxford Book-worms	Thriller	5585
ox2-3	2	5	Dracula	Oxford Book-worms	Horror	7875
ox2-4	2	5	Henry VIII and His Six Wives	Oxford Book-worms	Biography, Classics	6310
ox2-5	2	5	Huckleberry Finn	Oxford Book-worms	Classics	6180
ox2-6	2	5	New Yorkers -- Short Stories	Oxford Book-worms	Short stories	5895
ox2-7	2	5	The Piano	Oxford Book-worms	Human interest	6070
ox2-8	2	5	Robinson Crusoe	Oxford Book-worms	Adventure	13000
ox2-9	2	5	Sherlock Holmes Short Stories	Oxford Book-worms	Thriller	6280
3-1	3	5	The Accidental Tourist	Penguin	Human interest	21000
3-2	3	5	The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn	Penguin	Classics	15000
3-3	3	5	Amistad	Penguin	Adventure, Human interest	8700
3-4	3	5	The Beatles	Penguin	Culture, Biography	8721
3-5	3	5	Billy Budd Sailor	Penguin	Classics	12870
3-6	3	5	The Black Cat and Other Stories	Penguin	Short stories	7423

3-7	3	5	Blood Ties	Penguin	Horror	9500
3-10	3	5	Braveheart	Penguin	Movies	7523
3-11	3	5	British Life	Penguin	Culture	7785
3-12	3	5	The Canterbury Tales	Penguin	Adventure, Romance	11000
3-15	3	5	The Climb	Penguin	Adventure	8624
3-16	3	5	The Count of Monte Cristo	Penguin	Classics, Adventure	12014
3-17	3	5	Dangerous Game	Penguin	Horror	17761
3-18	3	5	David Copperfield	Penguin	Human interest, Classics	12213
3-19	3	5	Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde	Penguin	Classics, Horror	13232
3-20	3	5	Dracula	Penguin	Horror	12755
3-21	3	5	Emil and the Detectives	Penguin	Movies, Adventure	13158
3-22	3	5	The Fall of the House of Usher	Penguin	Short stories, Classics	11432
3-23	3	5	Five One-Act Plays	Penguin	Short stories	7598
3-24	3	5	Food for Thought	Penguin	Biography	8795
3-25	3	5	Forrest Gump	Penguin	Human interest	9119
3-26	3	5	Frankenstein	Penguin	Horror	9100
3-27	3	5	The Fugitive	Penguin	Adventure	7212
3-28	3	5	Ghost in the Guitar	Penguin	Thriller, Horror	9935
3-30	3	5	The Great Discovery	Penguin	Adventure	8200
3-31	3	5	Grey Owl	Penguin	Biography, Historical	6909
3-105	3	5	Sweeney Todd	Penguin Active Readers	Murder Mystery	22385
3-106	3	5	Japanese Ghost Stories	Penguin Active Readers	Horror	16006
3-107	3	5	The Olympics	Penguin Active Readers	Sports, Historical	15350
3-108	3	5	Billy Elliot	Penguin	Movies, Human interest	12931
3-109	3	5	Leaving Microsoft to Change the World	Penguin		14070

3-110	3	5	Noughts and Crosses	Penguin	Classics	14101
3-111	3	5	Becoming Jane	Penguin	Movies, Biography	11795
3-112	3	5	The Romans	Penguin Active Readers	Historical	14265
3-113	3	3	Stories of Survival	Penguin	Adventure	9778
3-32	3	5	Hamlet	Penguin	Classics	11552
3-33	3	5	Happy Christmas	Penguin	Culture	5300
3-34	3	5	A History of Britain	Penguin	Historical	8500
3-35	3	5	The Horse Whisperer	Penguin	Classics	20000
3-35	3	5	The Horse Whisperer	Penguin Active Readers	Adventure	19975
3-36	3	5	How to be an Alien	Penguin	Comedy, Culture	7845
3-37	3	5	The Hunchback of Notre Dame	Penguin	Classics, Movies	13710
3-38	3	5	An Ideal Husband	Penguin	Classics, Human interest	13844
3-39	3	5	The Incredible Journey	Penguin Active Readers	Adventure	14895
3-40	3	5	The Interpreter	Penguin	Thriller	13747
3-41	3	5	Island of the Blue Dolphins	Penguin	Adventure	17000
3-42	3	5	Jane Eyre	Penguin	Classics	8327
3-43	3	5	Jim Smiley and His Jumping Frog	Penguin	Classics, Young life, adventure	11365
3-44	3	5	K's First Case	Penguin		7824
3-45	3	5	Madame Doubtfire	Penguin	Human interest	6917
3-46	3	5	The Man With Two Shadows and Other Ghost Stories	Penguin	Short stories, Horror	8762
3-47	3	5	Manchester United	Penguin	Sports	7300
3-48	3	5	Martin Luther King	Penguin	Biography	9272
3-49	3	5	Matilda	Penguin	Human interest	8070
3-50	3	5	A Midsummer Night's Dream	Penguin	Classics	12290
3-51	3	5	Millenium-The Year 2000	Penguin	Culture	6600

3-52	3	5	My Fair Lady	Penguin	Culture, Movies	8116
3-53	3	5	My Family and Other Animals	Penguin	Biography	6900
3-54	3	5	Mysteries of the Unexplained	Penguin Active Readers	Short stories	7116
3-55	3	5	Mystery of the Blue Mines	Penguin	Adventure	15250
3-56	3	5	New York	Penguin	Geography/Environment, Culture	8469
3-57	3	5	The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency	Penguin	Thriller, Murder Mystery	15600
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How did you like this book?

It was great!

It was okay.

It was so-so.

I didn't like it at all.

How long did it take you to read this book?

Less then 30 minutes

Less then 1 hour

Less than 2 hours

Less than 3 hours

More than 3 hours

How often did you use your dictionary?

Once every 1-2 pages.

Once every 3-5 pages.

Once every 6-20 pages.

Once every 20-50 pages.

Just a few times in the book.

I never used my dictionary.

This book was . . .

very easy for me.

a little easy for me

just about right for me

a little difficult for me

very difficult for me

How much could you forget that you were studying and just enjoy the book?

I always knew I was studying.

I sometimes forgot that I was studying.

I often forgot that I was studying.

'I completely forgot that I was studying for almost the whole book.

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Question name

Choice 1

Choice 2

Choice 3

Choice 4

Choice 5

Choice 6