



BOOKS & READING

Discussion

Basic questions

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5 Is there a book that you have read more than once? Why?

**Yes, there is... / No, there isn't.*

6 Have you ever read a book in English?

**Yes, I have... / No, I've never*

Extended questions

1 Do you think that the internet and television will eventually make books obsolete ?

**I think internet and television will make books...*

2 Have you ever been to a book signing or met an author?

**Yes, I have. / No, I haven't.*

3 What are some of the advantages of books vs movies?

**Some of the advantages of books are...*

4 Do you think people do not read enough books these days?

**Yes, I think... / No, I don't think...*

5 Do you like reading the traditional literature of your country?

**Yes, I do... because... / No, I don't... because...*

6 Can you think of any book you would recommend to another person? Why?

**I'd recommend...because...*

Vocabulary



1 Flick through (/flɪk/ /θruː/)

(verb) Turn the pages of a book quickly and look at them without reading everything.

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(noun) The series of events that form the story of a novel, play,...

Ex. The book is well organized in terms of plot.

4 Character (/ˈkærəktə(r)/)

(noun) A person or an animal in a book, play, or film, movie

Ex. Clint Eastwood's character is the most sympathetic in the movie.

5 Publish (/ˈpʌblɪʃ/)

(verb) To produce a book, a magazine,... and sell it to the public

Ex. He works for a company that publishes reference books.

6 Thought-provoking (/θɔːt prəˈvʊkɪŋ/)

(adjective) Making people think seriously about a particular subject or issue.

Ex. This is a brilliant and thought-provoking book.

7 Absorbing (/əb'zɔ:rbɪŋ/

(adjective) Interesting and enjoyable and holding your attention completely.

Ex. I am looking for an absorbing book to read.

8 Captivating (/ 'kæptɪveɪtɪŋ/)

(adjective) Taking all your attention, very attractive and interesting

Ex. She spent the whole day reading the captivating book borrowed from her teacher.



Idioms/ Useful Expressions

- 1 **To be engrossed in** – so interested or involved in something that you
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- 4 **Heavy going** – used to describe somebody/something that is difficult to deal with or understand

Ex. I find this book rather heavy going.

- 5 **A page turner** – a book that is very exciting

Ex. Thank you for the book that you gave me. It is really a page turner.