

Tips and Tricks for Reading Comprehensions

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The reading comprehension is considered to be a very essential area in the syllabus of all law entrance examinations and this why this article on tips and tricks for reading comprehension is important for you to read.

The reading comprehension section may comprise of a variety of questions that can be an argument based, the conclusion based, vocabulary based or some other questions related to the correctness of the statements.

1st type: Arguments and Conclusions

For the questions related to the arguments or conclusions, make sure that you read the passage with full concentration. You must solve the questions only with the help of the statements or facts given in the passage and no outside knowledge should be applied. The practice of Statement Argument questions and Statement Conclusion question can also help you answer such questions in the reading comprehension quickly and accurately. Do not confuse the conclusion with the argument. The argument is the reason behind the statement given whereas the conclusion is what you derive from the statement given. For the questions where you have to answer if a statement is true or false, the same rules will apply.

To summarise:

- Read the passage carefully.
- Don't apply outside knowledge
- Solve questions as per the facts given in the passage only.
- Don't confuse the argument with the conclusion.

Another kind of questions asked is related to the vocabulary. Synonyms, Antonyms or meaning of the words in the passage could be asked. Vocabulary building is not a one-day affair and has to be built over time. Vocabulary is important for all the entrance examination. The following activities may prove to be responsible for vocabulary building:

1. Newspaper: Make it a habit to read the reputed newspaper daily with special attention to the editorial section. The editorial section of the newspaper will introduce you the new words and also acquaint you with the burning topics that are often given as the comprehensions in the examination. Try searching for the meaning of the new words and also its synonyms and antonyms. To register it in your mind better, try using the word in one or two sentences.
 2. Electronic Media: By electronic media, you are not being advised to build your vocabulary through social media. Rather, you should regularly watch a reputed news channel operating in the English language for a fixed duration. Try to analyse if you can understand everything clearly and catch difficult words. Watching English movies and web series in a limited sense might also help.
 3. Reading habit: Try to develop the reading habit. This should not be restricted to textbook reading or books related to your studies. Along with the course books, read the novels of different genre and immediately look for the meaning of the word that you find difficult
 4. Word Power Made Easy by Normal Lewis: This book is always recommended to someone who is trying to build vocabulary. This book has proved effective in building the vocabulary and putting it to use right away.
- 3rd Type: Idioms and Phrases The third type of questions that can be asked in this section is related to some idioms and phrases that may be present in the passage. The question may either ask about the meaning of the Idiom/ Phrase or fill in the blank with appropriate Idiom. One must also be thorough with the important legal maxims to solve these. [Click here to read frequently asked Idioms.](#)

There may be some other type of questions other than the types mentioned above. The best way to score maximum marks in this section is to practice as many questions as possible. The practice makes the answers more accurate and quick.

Keep Practising.

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