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Reading Skills & Vocabulary

Practice Exercises

- @ A1a Reading practice exercises with biographies
- @ A1b Five "urban legend" stories with exercises
- @ A1c Tons of easy news stories with exercises, summaries, etc.

Reading Sources

- @ A2a How to read newspapers better
- @ A2b How to mark a textbook

Reading Skills

- @ A3a Cuesta College reading links
- @ A3b Learn about SQ4R

Vocabulary

- @ A4a Try any link on this page
- @ A4b Learn new slang every day
- @ A4c Practice prefixes, roots, & suffixes
- @ A4d Roots list with examples
- @ A4e Prefix list with six quizzes
- @ A4f Most common prefixes & suffixes
- @ A4g Suffixes and part of speech
- @ A4h Suffixes and

Interesting Online Readings

Readings Connected to Our Textbook

- @ B1a Article on family structures
- @ B1b Reading about different kinds of marriage
- @ B1c American family types
- @ B1d Man finds 25th wife is the right one

Election 2008

- @ B2a The electoral college, explained
- @ B2b How we elect a president
- @ B2c How the electoral college works
- @ B2d Barack Obama's website
- @ B2e John McCain's website
- @ B2f Reasons for not voting - all wrong
- @ B2g Start Here! Everything about the election

General Readings

- @ B3a "Topics" magazine - easy to read
- @ B3b American cultural attitudes
- @ B3c National Geographic science news
- @ B3d Biographies of

Novel: *The Pearl* by John Steinbeck

About the novel

- @ C1a Research project by other students
- @ C1b Discussion of three Steinbeck books
- @ C1c Easy quizzes about *The Pearl*

Background info

- @ C2a How pearls are formed
- @ C2b VID: Pearl oysters in nature in Mexico
- @ C2c Woman finds 26 pearls in 1 oyster
- @ C2d Mirage photos
- @ C2e Mirages explained
- @ C2f VID: An ocean mirage!
- @ C2g Facts about Mexico (are they correct?)

Can You Summarize That?

- @ C3a Summary writing: 25 words
- @ C3b Summary writing: 50 words
- @ C3c Summary writing: 100 words

About the author

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Handouts *downloadable* & Information

- [ESL Center Information](#)
- [ESLR 310 Student Information Sheet](#)
- [ESLR 310 Schedule, Weeks 1-4](#)
- [ESLR 310 Test One Study Guide](#)
- [ESLR 310 Guided Worksheet for *The Pearl*, Part One](#)
- [ESLR 310 Schedule, Weeks 5-8](#)
- [ESLR 310 Guided Worksheet for *The Pearl*, Part Two](#)
- [NEW! ESLR 310 Test Two Study Guide](#)
- [NEW! Main Idea Summary *activity from class*](#)

prefixes list with examples

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famous women

@ B3e A guide to everything about earthquakes

@ B3f See pictures of the Hayward earthquake fault

@ B3g Healthy eating, shopping, etc.

@ B3h Learn about online banking

@ B3i What are urban legends?

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