

Practicing English outside of the classroom: Reading

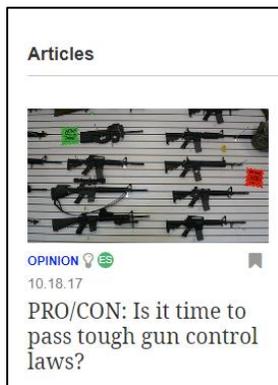
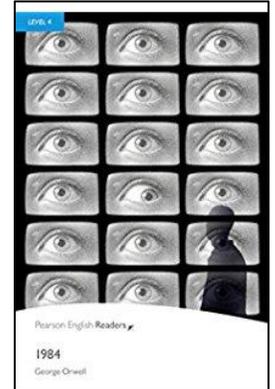
Learners often want to know where and how they can practice their English outside of the classroom.

This document provides 4 resources to practice your reading.

Remember, every learner is different- experiment with the different resources and choose the ones that work for you.

Graded readers

- Graded readers (adapted and shorter books for ESL learners) are a great way to read at your level.
- You can find a huge variety of books in English- fact and fiction.
- The material should be a challenge, but not too difficult that you are finding unknown words in most sentences (+1 hypothesis of Krashen, 1988).
- Find your level here: <http://www.macmillanreaders.com/tests/level-test>



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