



ENGLISH

Chapter 8 Session B

3rd
SECONDARY

Skills expansion (Part II)



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Reading

Skill: Taking notes

Skill tip

Taking notes of key information while you read is a useful skill. Keep your notes short. Note only the key details.

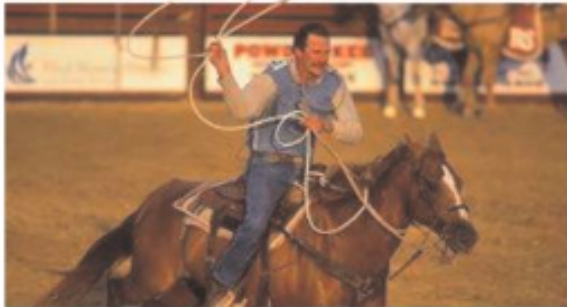
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FACT: Over 1.3 million people watched last year's Rodeo Houston, in Texas, in the U.S.

Chuck and Judy Peterson live in Minnesota, in the U.S. Chuck, 71, and Judy, 68, have an unusual hobby. They attend rodeos throughout the United States and Canada. They started their hobby 30 years ago. Last year they drove around 45,000 miles and saw 32 rodeos. The trip took five months. "Going to rodeos is a cheap hobby," says Chuck. "We usually pay just \$10 for a ticket." As well as watching rodeos, they also visit friends and go sightseeing while they travel. "We visited Chuck's family in Las Vegas on our last trip," adds Judy.

"My interest in magic started when I was seven years old," says Peter Kershaw, a 25-year-old teacher from Brisbane, Australia. "I went to a friend's birthday party and saw my first magic trick. It was amazing!" When Peter returned home he read every book on magic in the local library. "Magic is a fun way of making new friends," he says. Now, Peter's hobby is making him rich. Last year, he wrote a book on magic and appeared on television twice. One day, he hopes to have his own TV show!

FACT: The first recorded magic trick was in ancient Egypt, in 2700 B.C.



Do you have an interesting or unusual hobby? Then write to us. We'd like to hear from you!



1



30

Read the magazine article and take notes to complete the chart.

	Hobby	When started	Advantages
Chuck & Judy			
Peter			



**2****Who or what do these numbers refer to?**

25

45,000

68

5

2



Writing

- 1 Write about your hobbies and interests.
Look at the Study guide to help you.**

*One of my interests is playing the guitar.
I started three years ago because ...*



Study

guide



Writing about your hobbies and interests

- 1 Think of a hobby or interest you have.

playing the guitar

- 2 Say when and why you began to do it.

three years ago / birthday present

- 3 Think of two reasons why you enjoy it.

relaxing / quite easy

- 4 Repeat steps 1–3 for two more hobbies or interests.



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