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CLASS: SECONDARY SCHOOL

SUBJECT: ENGLISH LANGUAGE

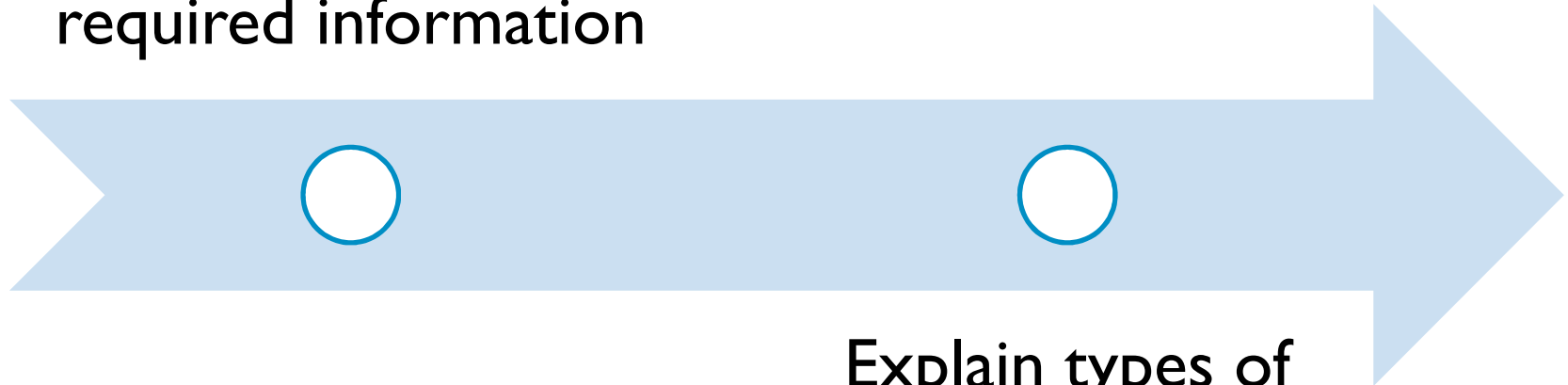
TOPIC: LOCATING AND

RETRIEVING INFORMATION



Learning Objectives

Acquire skills
needed to read to
locate and retrieve
required information



Explain types of
questions and
approaches to
answering them
intelligibly

Delineation of Operatives

- **Locate:** discover the exact place or position of
- **Retrieve:** get or bring (something) back from somewhere.

Welcome Package

- Locate and Retrieve Noun in the sentence below:
- **They man the gate always.**
- Locate and Retrieve Verb in the sentence below:
- **Give it a go, John.**

Locating and Retrieving

- They man the gate always.

*(The only noun in the sentence is gate. Man is a
predicator(verb) in the sentence)*

Give it a go, John. ("Give" is a
verb while "go" is a noun in the
sentence.)

Types of Questions

Literal questions require concrete, straightforward answers.

Answers to literal questions are always facts, and there is always one correct answer.

In reading comprehension exercises, answers to literal questions can always be found in the text.

Literal questions ask for answers that are specific and can be confirmed and therefore agreed upon by many people.

Examples include:

"What time does the concert start?"

"What size do you wear?"

"What references did you use to write your paper?"

"Who was the protagonist in the story?"

"How many inches are in a foot?"

Inferential Questions

- Inferential questions ask for answers that you arrive at by gleaning background information and finding a conclusion without allowing your own opinion to colour the answer.
- **Examples include:**
- "How did you arrive at that conclusion?"
- "Why does salt cause ice to melt?"

Asking how and why questions helps you weigh the merits of the answers.

From there you can develop evaluative questions and responses that do include your own thoughts and ideas.

How to answer comprehension questions – Step-by-step

To teach you how to answer comprehension questions, we will first walk you through the process and then we'll work through an example with you.

The process we'll look at is:

Step 1: Read the questions

Step 2: Unpack the questions

Step 3: Read the text

Step 4: Read for relevant information and
techniques

Step 5: Answer the questions – Multiple choice, or

Step 5: Answer the questions – written responses


- ☐ Identify and restate the keywords in the question
- ☐ Present your answer
- ☐ Incorporate your evidence
- ☐ Explain your example
- ☐ Conclude your response

Comprehension Passage

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), which was previously known as 2019-novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV), was first reported in Wuhan, China in December 2019. The disease evolved into a serious global emergency, leading to its declaration as a pandemic


Symptoms exhibited by COVID-19 disease range from fever, cough, respiratory symptoms, shortness of breath, and breathing difficulties (World Health Organization (WHO), 2020).

Fatal outcomes can include lower-respiratory tract illnesses, such as pneumonia and bronchitis, or acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) and severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) in severe diseases. These complications are more pronounced in patients with underlying health conditions such as cardiopulmonary disease, immunocompromised individuals, infants and the elderly (Centre for Disease Control Prevention (CDC), 2020)



On the African continent, Nigeria is just experiencing the direct effects of this pandemic, having recorded her index case in February 2020, with an increasing number of cases every day and a current case fatality ratio of 0.03 as at 13 April 2020. Although the recorded cases may seem low, it has been forecast that Africa will have some of the worst effects of this disease by the end of the pandemic.

Generally, African countries have fragile health systems and this remains a source of concern, especially in the event of increased outbreaks. Nigeria's current national health systems cannot effectively respond to the growing needs of already infected patients requiring admission into intensive care units for acute respiratory diseases and severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS COV-2) pneumonia.



This has grim implications for Nigeria, especially as increased cases loom that may require critical care. Provision of quarantine or isolation facilities and availability of rapid diagnostic kits for fast and reliable testing and diagnosis of the disease can also be a challenge in Africa.

There is an urgent need to put into perspective these realities peculiar to Africa including Nigeria and explore available collective measures and interventions to address the COVID-19 pandemic.

Questions

- a. Where was covid-19 first reported in the world?
- b. Why is Covid -19 pandemic a major challenge in Africa?
- c. What according to the writer should be done to contain the pandemic in Africa?
- d. Mention the symptoms of covid-19 according to WHO
- e. *"Although the recorded cases may seem low..."*
 - I. What is the grammatical name of the above expression?
 - II. What is its function?