

Text: Why do we read?

Task: Once you have completed the reading and the vocabulary activity, complete the questions below with a partner.

After Reading

1. According to the text, why do we read?
2. What does the author mean when she writes, “The pleasure...is derived from escaping our small, limited and often repetitive lives and entering an exotic elsewhere”?
3. What can we gain from reading fiction specifically?
4. What does the author mean when she writes, “Our values and assumptions are challenged; we are invited to empathise with entirely different points of view”?
5. According to the author, what do we look for when we read?

Extension: When you have completed the questions, compare your answer with another pair and be prepared to share your answers with the class.