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Unit 1: Character

Skillful Reading & Writing Level 1 (A2) has been mapped to Trinity's Integrated Skills in English (ISE) Foundation Reading & Writing exam. ISE is a four skills exam that assesses a candidate's ability to use English through integrated exam tasks. This document shows which exercises teachers may want to use to help prepare learners for the exam.

	ISE Foundation Reading & Writing exam
Reading 1: Are you a natural leader? (pp8–9)	Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions
	Careful reading for specific information at word level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (completing sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from
Reading 2: The hero within (pp10–11)	a bank of options) questions 26–30. Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 Multi-text
	reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25. Careful reading for specific information at word level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (completing
	sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from a bank of options) questions 26–30.

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Writing: Writing topic sentences (p13)	The ability to write clear topic sentences is useful for the descriptive essays and articles which are found in Task 3 – Reading into writing, and Task 4 – Extended writing.
	Describing people: Assessed in the Topic and Conversation tasks of the Speaking & Listening exam.
Writing task (p15)	The process approach to writing in this section is useful for helping candidates brainstorm, plan, write, and edit their work.
Grammar: The simple present tense	Giving information about present circumstances and activities:
	Assessed in all four tasks of the Reading & Writing exam, and in the Topic and Conversation tasks in the Speaking & Listening exam.

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Unit 2: Time

	ISE Foundation Reading & Writing exam
Reading 1: A matter of time (pp18–19)	Understanding the main idea or purpose of text: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
	Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level:
	Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25.
	Careful reading for specific information at word level:
	Assessed Task 1 – Long reading (completing sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from a bank of options) questions 26–30.
Reading 2: What time is it? (pp20–21)	Skimming: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
	Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level:
	Assessed Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25.
	Careful reading for specific information at word level:
	Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (completing sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from a bank of options) questions 26–30.

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Writing: Understanding sentence patterns (p23)	This writing task will help candidates produce clear simple sentences that are required for both Task 3 – Reading into writing, and Task 4 – Extended writing.
Grammar: Verbs followed by infinitives and gerunds	Expressing likes and dislikes: Assessed in all four tasks of the Reading & Writing exam, and in the Topic and Conversation tasks in the Speaking & Listening exam.

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Unit 3: Home

	ISE Foundation Reading & Writing exam
Reading 1: Home is where the heart is (pp28–29)	Understanding the main idea or purpose of text: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
	Skimming: Assessed Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
	Reading for gist: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
	Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25.
	Careful reading for specific information at word level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (completing sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from a bank of options – gap fill) questions 26–30.
Reading 2: Home automation (pp30–31)	Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25.
	Careful reading for specific information at word level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (completing sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from a bank of options – gap fill) questions 26–30.
	Describing places: Assessed in the Topic and Conversation tasks of the Speaking & Listening exam.

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Writing: Brainstorming word maps (p33)	Identify factual information that is relevant to the writing task: Assessed in Task 3 – Reading into writing. Incorporate the information in a short and simple answer to suit the purpose for writing: Assessed in Task 3 – Reading into writing. Descriptive essay writing: Assessed in Task 3 – Reading into writing, and Task 4 – Extended writing. Describing objects and places: Assessed in the Topic and Conversation tasks of the Speaking & Listening exam.
Writing task (p35)	The process approach to writing in this section is useful for helping candidates brainstorm, plan, write, and edit their work. Describing objects and places: Assessed in the Reading & Writing exam, and in the Topic and Conversation tasks in the Speaking & Listening exam.
Grammar: There is/are (+ quantifier) + noun	Describing objects and places: Assessed in all four tasks of the Reading & Writing exam, and in the Topic and Conversation tasks in the Speaking & Listening exam.

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Unit 4: Size

	ISE Foundation Reading & Writing exam
Reading 1: Fuel of the sea (pp38–39)	Skimming: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
	Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25.
	Careful reading for specific information at word level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (completing sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from a bank of options – gap fill) questions 26–30.
Reading 2: Size doesn't matter (pp40-41)	Skimming: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
	Scanning: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
	Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25.
	Careful reading for specific information at word level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (completing sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from a bank of options – gap fill) questions 26–30.

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Writing: Writing compound sentences (p43)	This writing task will help candidates produce clear compound sentences which are required for both Task 3 – Reading into writing and Task 4 – Extended writing. Describing places: Assessed in the Topic and Conversation tasks of the Speaking & Listening exam.
Writing task (p45)	Paraphrase/summarize key words and phrases or short sentences: Assessed in Task 3 – Reading into writing. The process approach to writing in this section is useful for helping candidates brainstorm, plan, write, and edit their work. Describing places: Assessed in the Topic and Conversation tasks of the Speaking & Listening exam.
Grammar: The present progressive tense	Giving information about present activities: Assessed in all four tasks of the Reading & Writing exam, and in the Topic and Conversation tasks in the Speaking & Listening exam.

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Unit 5: Patterns

	ISE Foundation Reading & Writing exam
Reading 1: Time for a change (pp48–49)	Skimming: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20. Reading for gist:
	Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20. Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level:
	Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25.
	Careful reading for specific information at word level:
	Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (completing sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from a bank of options – gap fill) questions 26–30.



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Reading 2: The Fibonacci sequence (pp50–51)	Skimming: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20. Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25. Careful reading for specific information at word level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (completing
	sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from a bank of options – gap fill) questions 26–30.
Writing: Using end punctuation and capitalization (p53)	This writing task will help candidates produce clear, accurately punctuated sentences which are required for both Task 3 – Reading into writing and Task 4 – Extended writing.
Writing task (p55)	Paraphrase/summarize key words and phrases or short sentences: Assessed in Task 3 – Reading into writing. The process approach to writing in this section is useful for helping candidates brainstorm, plan, write, and edit their work.

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Reading 1: Hurry up and slow down! (pp58-59)

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Skimming: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level:
Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25.
Careful reading for specific information at word level:
Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (completing

sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from

a bank of options – gap fill) questions 26–30.

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Reading 2: Keeping up with the Tarahumara (pp60–61)	Understanding the main idea or purpose of text: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
	Skimming
	Skimming: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
	Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level:
	Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25.
	Careful reading for specific information at word level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (completing sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from a bank of options – gap fill) questions 26–30.
Writing: Using commas and colons (p63)	This writing task will help candidates produce clear, accurately punctuated sentences which are required for both Task 3 – Reading into writing and Task 4 – Extended writing.
Writing task (p65)	Paraphrase/summarize key words and phrases or short sentences:
	Assessed in Task 3 – Reading into writing.
	The process approach to writing in this section is useful for helping candidates brainstorm, plan, write, and edit their work.
Grammar: Comparative forms of adjectives and adverbs	Expressing simple comparisons: Assessed in all four tasks of the Reading & Writing exam, and in the Topic and Conversation tasks in the Speaking & Listening exam.

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Unit 7: Vision

	ISE Foundation Reading & Writing exam
Reading 1: Is seeing really believing? (pp68–69)	Scanning: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
	Skimming: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
	Reading for gist: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
	Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level:
	Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25.
	Careful reading for specific information at word level:
	Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (completing sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from a bank of options – gap fill) questions 26–30.

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Reading 2: Color and flags (pp70–71)	Skimming: Assessed Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
	Reading for gist: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
	Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25.
Writing: Writing complete sentences (p73)	This writing task will help candidates produce clear, complete sentences which are required for Task 3 – Reading into writing, and Task 4 – Extended writing.
Writing task (p75)	Paraphrase/summarize key words and phrases or short sentences: Assessed in Task 3 – Reading into writing. The process approach to writing in this section is useful for helping candidates brainstorm, plan, write, and edit their work.
Grammar: Count and noncount nouns	Describing people, objects, and places: Assessed in all four tasks of the Reading & Writing exam, and in the Topic and Conversation tasks in the Speaking & Listening exam.

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Unit 8: Extremes

	ISE Foundation Reading & Writing exam
Reading 1: Earth's final frontier (pp78–79)	Scanning: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20. Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level:
	Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25.
Reading 2: Super Sherpa (pp80–81)	Skimming: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20. Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25. Careful reading for specific information at word level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (completing
	sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from a bank of options – gap fill) questions 26–30.

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Writing: Using transitions to add and emphasize information (p83)	This writing task will help candidates produce clear coherent paragraphs which are required for Task 3 – Reading into writing, and Task 4 – Extended writing. Expressing likes and dislikes: Assessed in the Topic and Conversation tasks of the Speaking & Listening exam.
Writing task (p85)	Paraphrase/summarize key words and phrases or short sentences: Assessed in Task 3 – Reading into writing. The process approach to writing in this section is useful for helping candidates brainstorm, plan, write, and edit their work.
Grammar: Expressing ability	Expressing ability and inability: Assessed in all four tasks of the Reading & Writing exam, and in the Topic and Conversation tasks in the Speaking & Listening exam.

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	ISE Foundation Reading & Writing exam
Reading 1: Coming of age (pp88–89)	Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level:
	Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25.
	Careful reading for specific information at word level:
	Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (completing sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from a bank of options – gap fill) questions 26–30.
	Gathering information from different texts to create a text summary:
	Assessed in Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from a bank of options – gap fill) questions 26–30.
	Please note that in the ISE exam this is assessed with more than one text.
Reading 2: Gardening 380 kilometers above Earth (pp90–91)	Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level:
	Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25.
	Careful reading for specific information at word level:
	Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (completing sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from a bank of options – gap fill) questions 26–30.

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Writing: Using transitions to sequence events (p93)	This writing task will help candidates produce clear coherent paragraphs through the use of transition signals, which are required for Task 3 – Reading into writing, and Task 4 – Extended writing. Describing people and places: Assessed in the Topic and Conversation tasks of the Speaking & Listening exam.
Writing task (p95)	Paraphrase/summarize key words and phrases or short sentences: Assessed in Task 3 – Reading into writing. The process approach to writing in this section is useful for helping candidates brainstorm, plan, write, and edit their work.
Grammar: The simple past	Giving information about past circumstances and activities: Assessed in all four tasks in the Reading & Writing exam, and in the Topic and Conversation tasks in the Speaking & Listening exam.

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Unit 10: Work

	ISE Foundation Reading & Writing exam
Reading 1: The farmer's lazy son (pp98–99)	Reading for gist: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20.
Reading 2: Leave it for the robot (pp100–101)	Scanning: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20. Skimming: Assessed Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20. Reading for gist: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (title matching) questions 1–5, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (multiple matching) questions 16–20. Careful reading for specific information at the sentence level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (selecting the true statements) questions 6–10, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (selecting the true statements) questions 21–25. Careful reading for specific information at word level: Assessed in Task 1 – Long reading (completing sentences – gap fill) questions 11–15, and Task 2 – Multi-text reading (completing summary notes from a bank of options – gap fill) questions 26–30.

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Unit 10: Work

Writing: Using parallel structure (p103)	The ability to write clear parallel sentence structures is useful for the descriptive essays and articles in Task 3 – Reading into writing, and Task 4 – Extended writing.
Writing task (p105)	The process approach to writing in this section is useful for helping candidates brainstorm, plan, write, and edit their work.