

## 5.1 Reading

### Predicting words in a text

**Focus:** *practising reading skills and widening vocabulary.*

1. In your subject classes you will be reading a lot and learning lots of new words. Doing the exercise below, outside of your regular class, will help to develop the skills you need.

You are going to read an extract from a Home Economics book.

❖ Think about the heading:

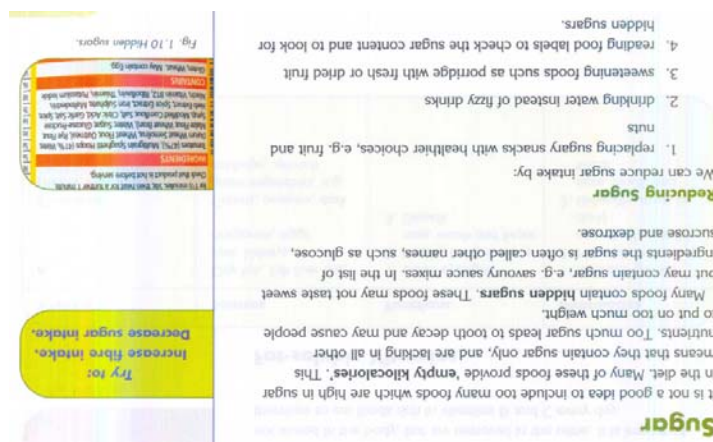
**Sugar**

❖ and the sub heading:

**Reducing Sugar**

Make a list of words that you think you will find when reading about this topic. You can do this in your own language first, and then use a dictionary to find out the words in English.

2. Read the text and tick off the words in your list that you find in the text. ✓
3. Make a list of any other key words that are used in the text – these might help you when you are reading other texts on similar topics.
4. Store this list of words in your vocabulary notebook or personal dictionary.
5. Recycle the important words by writing a short passage using the language you have learned.
6. Do more practice. Find a text in one of your textbooks that you know you will be studying soon. Follow steps 1 – 5.



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