



Reading Skill: Recognising keywords

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Some questions ask you to find some important words in the text. There are two steps to answering such questions:

- 1** Circle the keywords in the question and look for them in the text. Read the sentences near the keywords to look for the answer.
- 2** Read what you find in the text carefully. Choose the option that best matches the text.

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Keywords are words that have special meanings and tell you information. They can be names, places, feelings, etc.

e.g. The keywords in the question 'What colour is the pen?' are 'What colour' and 'pen'. When you look for these words in the text, you can find the answer. The words 'is' and 'the' cannot help you get the answer. They are not keywords.

Give it a try!

e.g. Miss Yip's hair is _____. (Choose more than one answer.)

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| <input type="radio"/> A. big | <input checked="" type="radio"/> B. black |
| <input type="radio"/> C. beautiful | <input checked="" type="radio"/> D. long |

The keywords in the question are **'Miss Yip's'** and **'hair'** because the question is asking about what Miss Yip's hair looks like. Look for the keywords in the text. You know that Miss Yip has **long black hair** in **paragraph 2**. So, options B and D are the correct answers.