



# Recognising key words in a sentence



### What are key words?

- They are words and phrases that can be used to locate the answer.
- They often have a similar meaning to the answer.

### How to find the key words?

- Skim the question.
- Underline the key words that can help you locate the answer.
- Find words in the reading text that have similar meanings to the key words.

## Let's look closer!

A. not small in size: mentioned

B. wrapped in plastic: mentioned

One day, Jordan went up to the large piano and lifted its plastic cover. Looking down at the piano's lid, he could see his reflection on the smooth surface. Then he sat down and placed his hands on the shiny black and white keys. Soon, pleasant and soothing sounds filled the room.

C. The keys were black and white, not the lid.

D. can make beautiful sounds: mentioned

**DSE** 2021 Part B2 Q53 Multiple choice

e.g. Which of the following is NOT mentioned about the piano?

- A. It is not small in size.
- B. It is wrapped in plastic.
- C. Its lid is black and white.
- D. It can make beautiful sounds.

A    B    C    D  
        

There is a misunderstanding that film studio executives would only cast actors who look attractive and glamorous on camera. However, this belief is outdated. A study has revealed that appearance alone does not guarantee career opportunities in show business. Talent and perseverance play a role as well.

B. Good looks are not the only factor for an actor's success.

**DSE** 2016 Part A Q10 Multiple choice

e.g. The study has found that good looks ...

- A. are more important than ever for actors.
- B. are not the only factor for an actor's success.
- C. help studio executives earn more money.
- D. are not a factor in deciding an actor's career.

A    B    C    D

## Let's practise!

The theatre offers a wide range of activities. From musicals and ballet to concerts and film screenings, there is something for everyone. It is a place to explore the magic of the performing arts.

**DSE** 2020 Part A Q5 Multiple choice

1 Which of the following can people NOT watch in the theatre?

- A. a dance
- B. a magic show
- C. a movie
- D. a play

A      B      C      D  
        

Jackie Chan is one of the most famous figures of Hong Kong's film industry. He started his acting career at the age of eight when he appeared in the film *Big and Little Wong Tin Bar*. Despite many ups and downs, he kept challenging himself and ultimately achieved international stardom. During a career that has lasted over half a century, Jackie has starred in almost 150 films and endured numerous serious injuries.

**DSE** 2015 Part B1 Q47 Multiple choice

2 Which one of the following statements about Jackie Chan is TRUE?

- A. *Big and Little Wong Tin Bar* was his second film.
- B. His career is filled with successes and failures.
- C. He has only suffered small cuts and bruises.
- D. He has appeared in films for almost 50 years.

A      B      C      D  
        

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## Exam Booster

Ballet requires dancers to perform delicate movements. Dancers need to possess flexible bodies so that they can remain stable as they leap and turn on their toes. These all require a lot of practice, and it often takes years before a ballet dancer is ready to take to the stage in public performances.

**DSE** 2023 Part B2 Q48 Multiple choice

1 According to the text, which one of the following is NOT an ability required of ballet dancers?

- A. bending their bodies effortlessly
- B. completing precise steps
- C. maintaining balance at all times
- D. making high jumps and quick turns

A      B      C      D