

Jerry - Something you should read!

During the last two months my class and I read “Jerry” by Laurence Harger and Cecile Rossant. But in my blog this is not the only topic. I want to talk about the reading of books in lessons and about the difference between books and the texts out of textbooks. In my opinion reading books is one of the best things you can do.

Firstly I will tell you what I like and dislike about reading books in English lessons. I like to read books in lessons because it is more interesting than working the whole time in the workbook and the textbook. But I think it is boring to only read books because you have to learn and to go on with the learning matter of the school year. So it is only a nice change. It has other advantages like the different tasks which can be given by the teacher. So you have the chance to work more with the book. Sometimes you can understand the book better because you have the chance to write a part of the book out of another perspective or think about another ending or storyline. But the working with the book takes a long time. You have to operate with every chapter and write many different texts. All in all I think that reading a book is very important to learn the language and it is a chance for persons who don't read to understand why some other people love this action so much.



My next topic is the book “Jerry” and why you have to read it. It is a story about a group of teenagers, who want to stop a very big corporation called “The COMPANY” that is spying their customers. I like how “The GROUP” works from the background and can affect so much. It is very interesting story and it's easy to understand. You can really learn English because there is a short dictionary in the back of the book. I think you can identify with the characters and follow their actions. I believe that the only detriment is the fact that the story is very short. So it is a good book for people who like exciting stories and for people who don't like reading but want to learn English. A big reason why I like it so much is that it reminds me of my favourite TV series “Leverage”.

My last point is the difference between texts from the textbook and books. Both kinds have their advantages and disadvantages. I prefer reading books because there is one interesting story. You can experience a part of somebody's life and sometimes you can identify yourself with a person from the book. You have much more fun to read a book rather than reading a short text. Normally books aren't easier to read but when you like the story you more like to understand the tale. The exercises are multilateral so you have more fun to do them. On the other hand, it is a very long process. You are reading a book and work on tasks for each chapter. It can be very annoying to put the book to the side for answering the questions. But sometimes you have to read a very terrible book then you are happy when you have to. In this case you don't like to do the tasks and aren't happy to read. Then

you rather like the texts out of the textbooks. They are never as long as books are. The exercises are shorter, too. So it doesn't take a while to work with them. But I don't like that the texts do not really tell much about the persons you are reading about. You don't have the chance to identify or understand what they are doing. It is very short and sometimes very boring because in the textbooks are similar tasks to do. One big advantage is that in the textbook there are many different kinds of stories. There is for example one dialogue, one article and to blogs. So everybody can choose what they want to read.

Finally I can only say that reading books is so much fun and it doesn't matter where you do it. It is only important that you love to read and it is very good idea to read "Jerry".

Have a good time and stay at home if you can!!!

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