



Reading: Improving your IELTS response

Read the example and think about how to improve it.

I like reading books and comics. If I have free time, I read that. Firstly, I read a novel especially. One of my favorite book is Library Wars which is called tosyokan sensou in Japanese. The book's author is Hiro Arikawa. This story is that the library team who protect reading books freedom from the risk. Its story contains action and love, so it is interesting. There are about eight character in this book. My favorite character in this Atushi Dojo. He is always scared. However, he is actually kind, so if he got angry with main character who is called Iku, he often suppros her. Furthermore, he is very cool and strong. When Iku was in some dangerous situations, he always come to the aid of her. I like his personality. Secondly, I often read comics for girls. I read it on E-book, but I also have paper books. If I found a favorite book, I sometimes buy that. These days, I read self-help book. I have read about "How do you live?". That is called "Kimitatihadouikiruka". The book's author is Gensaburo Yoshino. The story is about Junlchi Honda, also known as Koperu-kun, a 15-year-boy who is a main character. I can learn a lot of things from this book. I thought that I have to think about my future. I want to read that again. Reading books is good for people. This is because there are two reasons. That reading books improve our vocabulary. When I talked with people who read books and those who don't, I can feel the clear difference in the inner intelligence. That skills are useful for our future.

How can you improve the writing?

Additional information was included as these may add to the interest of the book.

it is interesting – you won't be able to put the book down (more persuasive)

to uphold the right(s)

to devour (to eat like a wild animal)

When explaining the story, use the present tense

A paperback (novel)

Intimidating (not scary as it is not Halloween)

Splash out – spending money generously on yourself

I like reading both books and comics – especially books if I have any free time. One of my favorite books is “Library Wars”, or *Toshokan Sensou* in Japanese. It is written by **renowned Japanese author**, Hiro Arikawa, and is **the first in a series of four novels**. The story focuses on a team of **military-like** librarians who keep hold of books and other materials in order to uphold the fundamental human right to knowledge so that people have the freedom to read without consequence. In the book, the story contains lots of twists, action and love scenes so you won't be able to put the book down once you have started reading it. I devoured this novel in three days!

There are, in fact, about eight characters in this book but my favorite one in Atsushi Dojo. He is **a member of the Library Task Force** and is always intimidating towards others. Although he is actually kind, he is very tough on the main character, Iku Kasahara, as **he sees so much of her in himself**. However, Atsushi is very cool and strong, and when Iku gets into a dangerous situation, he always comes to her rescue. I guess Atsushi is **hard from the outside but soft from the inside** so I like his personality.

I also like to read manga for girls. I prefer to read the E-book version due to convenience but I also have some in paperback. If I really like the story and it becomes one of my favorites, I tend to splash out and buy the book. These days, I am reading manga that follows the lives of a particular character who **rises from a misfortunate beginning**. I would recommend the manga titled, "How do you live?" Written by Genzaburo Yoshino and **first published in 1937**, this book focuses on the life of a 15-year-boy called Junichi Honda, nicknamed Koperu. I could learn a lot from this book **as it deals with his beliefs about spiritual growth, poverty, and the overall experience of human beings**. After reading this story, it made me think more deeply about my future. If I can find the time, I would like to read this manga again. Actually, from reading such books, I have found that I can improve vocabulary and strengthen my knowledge. Reading books is so important for us.



From the above work, try to chunk the speech

Find the pause – Chunking short / longer //

CAPITALISE the stressed (important) word

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