**Skimming & scanning**

There are different ways to read a text, did you know that? Let’s find out more. Watch  the video and take notes on the difference between skimming and scanning:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F1wPYHa5nUg>

**Task 1 Fill in the grid**

Now watch the video again and create your own notes on skimming and scanning:

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|  | **skimming** | **scanning** |
| What is it? |  |  |
| What do you do? |  |  |
| What do you look at? |  |  |

**Task 2 Let’s skim**

Have a good look at the text below, but do NOT read it yet. Focus on bold printing, headers, pictures etc . Predict what the text is about?

 The text is about

***Asda 2p ma gets job back***

*A SINGLE mum of two sacked by supermarket Asda in a row over 2 pence has been reinstated thanks to The Daily Telegraph.*

***20 pence***

*Security guard Nicole Anderson, 39, lost her job after her 13-year-old daughter Hollie tried to buy a 20p malt loaf using her mum’s ten per cent store discount card.*

***Misuse discount card***

*Bosses accused Nicola of misusing the card but she hadn’t realised her daughter was using it.*

***Sacked***

*She was sacked from her £6.88-an-hour job in Poole, Dorset.*

*But after an appeal - and our story - Asda has reinstated Nicola to her part-time, 16-hour-a-week job.*

*Nicola said: “I’d like to thank everybody who supported me, especially readers of The Daily Telegraph.”*

**Words to help:**

Pence = cent

Accuse= beschuldigen

Sacked = ontslagen

**Task 3 Let’s check**

Now read the text, check your prediction: What is it about?

 The text is about

Were you correct?

**Task 4 Let’s scan**

Now you are going to look for specific information in the text. Read the question below first and see what we’re looking for in the text:

**Task 5**

*Waarom werd beveiligingsbeambte Nicola ontslagen door supermarkt Asda?*

1. *Haar dochter had haar moeders personeelspas gebruikt.*
2. *Ze had een brood meegenomen zonder dat te betalen.*
3. *Ze had een winkeldief die familie van haar was, laten lopen.*

What are you looking for? Write it down:

Which keywords might help you? Highlight the keywords that you use to find the answer:

**Task 6**

Now go back to the text. Look for keywords to see if you can find the answer to the question:

*Waarom werd beveiligingsbeambte Nicola ontslagen door supermarkt Asda?*

Write down your answer:

**Task 7**

Now look at the multiple choice options: is there one that is similar to your answer above?

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If not, go back to the text and scan for specific words from the multiple choice options. Write down the keywords for the MC-options:

1

2

3

Now read the text again. Look for the specific words. Read the part of the text where you found it. Check if it is really the answer to the question! If not, continue.

**Task 8**

If you are sure you found it, answer the question:

*Waarom werd beveiligingsbeambte Nicola ontslagen door supermarkt Asda?*

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Skimming and scanning are very different and useful strategies for reading. Keep practising them!

Go to [www.readtheory.org](http://www.readtheory.org) and improve your reading even more!

Keep up the good work!