

Step – Useful digital tools for developing reading skills

Answers

1. CuePrompter - C. Learners practise skimming a text for the general idea. This can be particularly useful for learners preparing for exams that require them to skim texts. It can also encourage learners to understand that they don't always need to understand every word to understand the gist of a text.

2. Online dictionary - B. Learners can try to guess the meaning of unknown words they feel are important in context and then check if they are correct. Encouraging learners to use a dictionary to think more deeply about a word is a useful activity, rather than using a translator.

3. Scribe - D. Teachers can point out features or pose questions to learners and share the article with them. Learners can learn to be active readers, taking notes as they read. This tool is particularly useful for school or university students who have to do research and write assignments in English.

4. Rewordify - A. Teachers can adapt texts to ensure they are appropriate for their students. While the technology is not always perfect, it can be helpful to busy teachers. Learners could also use it if they are finding a text too difficult to understand.