

Reading a Graphic Text

On the OSSLT, students are required to read a graphic text. A graphic text can take many forms, but is usually a brochure or website that presents information using diagrams, photographs, drawings, sketches, maps or timetables. Following the graphic text are several multiple choice questions that test comprehension, and one or more short answer questions that test ability to further extend the information they read.

Tips for Reading a Graphic Text:

- Begin by reading the title- this will tell you the main idea of what you are reading
- Scan the headings- this will help you locate answers to the multiple choice questions.
- Some students find it beneficial to read the multiple choice questions before they start to read the selection.
- Read the entire text, even the captions located beneath the pictures.