# Read-So-Well: Chunk Reading for Fun

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はじめに

英文を読むことは最強の英語学習の方法です。できるだけ自然な英語をたくさん、味わいな がら読むことが大切です。問題は、その読み方です。口と耳と目を通して読む習慣を身につ けましょう。

このテキストでは、いろいろな話題のストーリーを紹介します。口と耳と目を通して楽しく 読むために、ここではチャンク・リーディングを採用します。小さな意味のまとまりのこと をチャンクといいます。I played tennis with my friend. という文があれば、I played tennis (テニスをしたよ)と with my friend (友達と)の2つのチャンクに分けることができます。 会話などでは、息継ぎがチャンクの長さを決めます。I played tennis with my friend. は比較 的短い文なので、息継ぎをしないで1つのチャンクとして表現することが多いと思います。 がしかし、ここでは、英語の意味が理解しやすくなるように、できるだけ小さなチャンクに 分けています。慣れてくれば、チャンク同士を結合して長いチャンクにして音読するのもい いでしょう。

全部で4つのパートに分かれています。Part I は、音読訓練のために選んだ8篇の英文があ ります。徹底的に音読力を鍛えるようにしましょう。Part II は25篇の短い英文(ワンパラ グラフ)があります。短いからといって簡単というわけではありませんが、いろいろな話題 のものを取り上げています。英文も自然な英語で書かれています。ここではチャンクに対し て日本語訳があるため、英語のチャンク表現とそれに対応する日本語の関係に慣れるように してください。さらに、内容理解についての設問があります。挑戦してみてください。

Part III は読解力テストのつもりでトライしてください。少し長目の英文もあります。そして、Part IV は、筆者が気に入っている英文です。この英文を味わいながら読むようにしてください。

チャンクによる音読がこのテキストの特徴です。そのため、すべての英文はチャンクに分け て Chunk Reading ができるようにしています。音声のほうも、フルパッセージを読むもの と、チャンク読みのものを準備しました。

音声を聞き、目で英文を読み、そして口で英文を再生する。この3つを実践してください。 それに加えて、手で英文を書く訓練をすれば、学習効果は最大になります。

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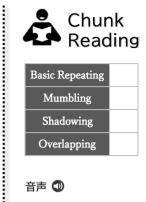
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## Passage 2: Jimmy and Ted

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- Elephants were Jimmy's favorite.
- Their Mom said
- it was time to go see the elephants,
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Overlapping

Jimmy and Ted.C.mp3

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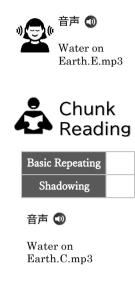
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## Passage 8: Water on Earth

## まず、目を閉じて音声を聞きましょう。

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- ✔ 水は75パーセントを覆っています
- ✓ 地球の表面の。
- ✓ しかし
- ✓ その大半は海中にあり
- ✓ しょっぱ過ぎて飲めません。
- ✓ さらに
- ✔ その一部は凍っていて
- ✓ 簡単には使えません。
- ✓ 実際に
- ✓ 1パーセント未満しか使われないのです
- ✓ 人々や動物や植物のためには。





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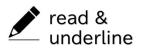


- 1. How much of the earth's surface is covered by water?
- 2. Where can you find most of the water on earth?
- 3. What does water in the sea taste like?
- 4. How much of the water on earth is used for living beings?
- 5. Why is drinking water called "blue gold"?

## Passage 1: Ann and Frank

One day, Ann and Frank went to the lake with their dog Rover. Rover can swim well, so Frank threw a stick into the water for him to fetch. "Jump, Rover! Jump in and get the stick," said Frank, and into the water Rover went with a big splash. Pretty soon he came out with the stick in his mouth. Rover did not like the game as much as Frank because the water was a little cold. They had fun for a while with Rover, and then set out for home because it was late in the day, and they could not stay long.

On the way home, Rover saw a rabbit and away he went after it as fast as he could go. Ann and Frank ran too but could not keep up with Rover and the rabbit. When they got home, Rover was there, and Frank said, "Where is the rabbit, Rover?" Rover gave Frank a funny look and laid down on his mat. "Oh I know," said Frank. "The rabbit ran so fast you could not catch it."



read and underline the parts you think are important or difficult

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listen and circle out the parts that are highlighted in the mp3

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- 1. What did Rover fetch in the water?
- 2. Why couldn't Rover catch the rabbit?
- 3. What might have happened if Ann and Frank stayed later?
- 4. How do you think Rover felt about not catching the rabbit?