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Welcome to the *Longman Academic Reading Series*, a five-level series that prepares English-language learners for academic work. The aim of the series is to make students more effective and confident readers by providing **high-interest readings** on academic subjects and teaching them skills and strategies for

- effective reading
- vocabulary building
- note-taking
- critical thinking

Last but not least, the series encourages students to **discuss and write** about the ideas they have discovered in the readings, making them better speakers and writers of English as well.

High-Interest Readings On Academic Subjects

Research shows that if students are not motivated to read, if reading is not in some sense enjoyable, the reading process becomes mechanical drudgery and the potential for improvement is minimal. That is why high-interest readings are the main feature in the *Longman Academic Reading Series*.

Varied High-Interest Texts

Each chapter of each book in the series focuses on an engaging theme from a wide range of academic subjects such as psychology, cultural studies, multicultural literature, and health science. The reading selections in each chapter (two readings in Level 1 and three in Levels 2–5) are chosen to provide different and intriguing perspectives on the theme. These readings come from a variety of sources or genres—books, textbooks, academic journals, newspapers, magazines, online articles—and are written by a variety of authors from widely different fields. The Level 2 book, for instance, offers two poems about cultural identity by Li-Young Lee and Aurora Levins Morales, an interview with the inspirational "Tony the Traveller," a textbook excerpt on Bloom's Taxonomy, and an online article on types of intelligence, including a quiz—all challenging reading selections that spark students' interest and motivate them to read and discuss what they read.

Academic Work

The work done in response to these selections provides students with a reading and discussion experience that mirrors the in-depth treatment of texts in academic coursework. Although the readings may be adapted for the lower levels and excerpted for the upper levels, the authentic reading experience has been preserved. The series sustains students' interest and gives a sample of the types of content and reasoning that are the hallmark of academic work.

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