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**Description:** The author presents the findings of the study carried out in 2016 in “La Union School” in order to improve the reading abilities of the Second Grade High School students who were going to take the International Exam KET to certify their command of the English language.

**Content:** In the present research, is shown how the strategies Skimming and Scanning help students to improve their reading abilities not only to find the information that is needed but also to be able to do it fast.

**Methodology:** The investigation type chosen for this study was Action Research in which the researcher identifies a problem in his classroom and works on it to improve the situation.

The study had three phases: a pre-training phase in which students were observed and evaluated to know their level and to identify the problem. A training phase in which the strategies were introduced and practiced and a post training phase in which students were evaluated again to see the improvement in their results.

The researcher worked with two variables: an independent one: The learning process of the reading strategies: Skimming and Scanning and a dependable one: The reading comprehension process.

In order to analize the data, the information was converted to numbers and group in charts. Also central tendency procedures were applied to the data, averages, and in some cases means. The results were interpreted, first providing an overview of the information presented, and then a conclusion was drawn from the evidence shown.

**Conclusions:** The development of this research is that the use of reading strategies improve the students' performance.

**Sources:** The data was collected through surveys, test, practices (quizzes), and interviews. Information about other studies around the world and the analysis of some books.

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