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Worksheet One

This worksheet accompanies Doing Research.

Using a contents page

Imagine you are doing some research on William Shakespeare. Referring to the contents page included below, answer the following questions.

Introduction1Childhood3Family Life10The Plays18A Man of Property24The King's Men33Success and Disaster35
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- 1. What section would you refer to if you were looking for information on Shakespeare's children?
- 2. What page would you go to if you were looking for information on how wealthy Shakespeare was?
- 3. What page would you go to if you wanted to find out what plays he wrote?
- 4. What section would you look at if you wanted to find out about Shakespeare's work for King James? ______



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Worksheet Two

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Skimming and scanning

Practice skimming and scanning by reading these short extracts from news stories and finding the pieces of information required.

You should try to complete these tasks as quickly as possible.

A company that produces honey is funding a research project to discover ways of stopping the decline of the honey bee. The company's director, David Bond, said that disease is killing off honey bees and if nothing is done, honey could soon run out. Experts are concerned after an estimated two billion bees died last winter from disease.

Find: 1. the name of the company director	•
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2. the number of bees that died last winter _____

A restaurant in Manhattan, has introduced a frogs' legs pizza to its menu. The new variety of pizza is called 'The Hopper' and is the idea of Sami Wasif, the owner of the restaurant. Mr. Wasif came up with the idea following a recent trip to France. He has been making pizza for twenty years and likes to experiment with different toppings.

Find: 1. the name of the frogs' legs pizza	
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2. the place where Mr Wasif was on holiday _____

