

Cheating: reading tasks



- 1 In what ways can the following people cheat?
 a taxi drivers d scientists
 b shop assistants e game show contestants
 c police officers f doctors

- 2 Read the text and decide which is the best summary:
 a Exams are not a good way of testing children.
 b Children are natural cheats.
 c If adults cheat, children will cheat too.

- 3 Read the text again and fill in the table about who cheats, how they do it, and why they do it. If the information isn't in the text then guess the answer. Then compare your answers with another student.

Who?	How?	Why?
Footballers		
Italian football clubs		
Cyclists		
Enron		
Sellers of counterfeit goods		
Pupils taking exams		

- 4 There is a lot of vocabulary to do with cheating. Find the following 4 idioms in the text (paragraphs 1,2 and 5):
 to play the game
 to bend the rules
 (to take) a short cut
 to turn a blind eye (to sth)

Remember that an idiom is an expression whose meaning is different from the meaning of the individual words. For example, 'to have your feet on the ground' is an idiom meaning 'to be sensible'. (Macmillan Essential Dictionary)

