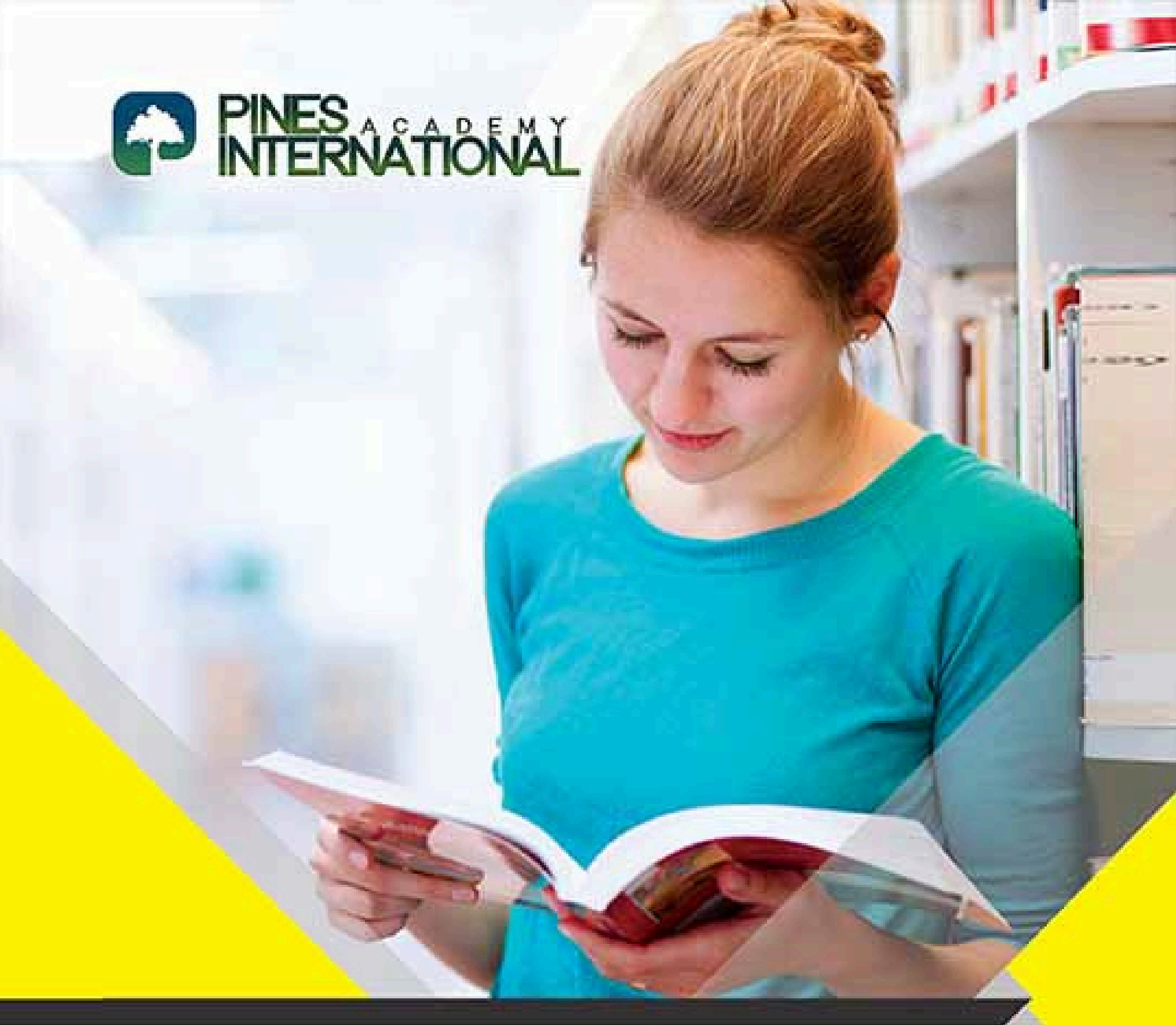




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Reading Out Loud 1




English as a
Foreign
Language

PREFACE

Reading is a key part of learning English. *Reading Out Loud 1* is intended for students in Level 1. The twenty (20) units in this book expose them to a range of articles about everyday encounter and general interest that will help them understand the real world in American setting.

The goal of *Reading Out Loud 1* is to help Level 1 students become familiar with the pronunciation of common English words and acquire the basic reading skills and strategies that they can apply in the succeeding reading books. These reading strategies will help students focus on the areas they need to develop while teachers provide the necessary assistance. Reading aloud builds good reading habits. It stimulates one's imagination and emotions; models good reading processes; enriches vocabularies, and encourages a lifelong enjoyment of reading. Teaching reading not only gives students access to knowledge from print, but also makes them better able to use the language.

Unit 1: Steven and his Sweaters

 Steven loved almost everything about his grandma. There was only one thing he hated. She always knitted sweaters for him. Steven understood that she did it to be nice. However, all the sweaters were very ugly. Steven visited her once a week. She had a new sweater for him each time.



Steven lived in a small apartment. There was no room for him to keep all the sweaters. He had to give all of them away. "Grandma will never find out," he thought. One day, Steven's grandma visited him by surprise. She asked to



see his sweaters. "Someone stole all of them!" he said. "They were too nice." She made him ten more by the next month.

Unit 2: A Party Invitation

From: Lisa Raster (11350@csu.edu)

To: Jenny Smith (jennysmith@yahoo.com)

Subject: Party!!! Party!!! Party!!!



Hi, Jenny. Listen, I'm having a party this Thursday at my house. Just a few friends will be there. Mostly they're co-workers. My boyfriend Tom will also come. I haven't introduced you two yet. He's a nice guy. I want you to meet him.

I hope you can come. We'll play games and talk. Then we'll eat dinner. Sarah and I



will be cooking. Everybody will bring some other food and drinks. The party starts at 4:00 p.m. It will end at 8 or 9 p.m., or even later...

We'll have a great time! Can you come? I really hope so! Let me know soon. Call me or send me an email.