

STRATEGY GROUP: Metacognitive

STRATEGY SET: Arranging and planning your learning

STRATEGY: Setting goals and objectives

Goals and objectives are expressions of students' aims for language learning. Goals and objectives should be noted in the language learning notebook, along with deadlines for accomplishing them and an indication as to whether those deadlines were met.

Reading goals might be to become proficient enough to read professional materials in a technical area, to read magazines or newspapers for pleasure, to read short stories with ease, to understand signposts in the foreign country, to reach a superior reading proficiency level, or to pass the reading exam required for graduate school entrance.

Johann decides to master the Cyrillic alphabet by Friday, so he can proceed with learning simple Russian words. Kathleen wants to learn a set of vocabulary words this afternoon, so it will be easier for her to read the Italian story tonight.