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INTRODUCTION

STORIES FOR THE NEW MILLENNIUM is a reproducible ESL/EFL/LITERACY reading-and-discussion text for beginners in English. It offers a number of important design features to make both teaching and learning easier and more enjoyable.

- 1) Contextualized learning: The short self-contained articles in each unit benefit from a very clear focus that facilitates realistic concentration on inter-related items of vocabulary and grammar that are relevant to the topic and the argumentative purpose.
- 2) Content that really matters: Each unit examines an element of the modern world experience that will genuinely interest and inform your students.
- 3) Lively journalistic style: Although the passages are carefully limited to an elementary level of language difficulty, their style remains vivid and authentic.
- 4) Well-balanced exercises: The exercises offer a good range of activities for each unit, including a pre-reading activity. Exercise types include: getting the main idea, basic comprehension, remembering details, inferences, determining sequence, true or false, matching, vocabulary study, dictionary practice, cause and effect, crossword puzzles, cloze exercises, making comparisons and organizing information.
- 5) Illustrations: There is a clear and evocative illustration in each unit; this can be used as a pre-reading exercise, for vocabulary brainstorming, or as the basis for discussion.
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