

ACADEMIC SKILLS: COMPREHENSION

- Understanding what you read
- Deeper levels / more specific details
- The general (overall impression) and the particular (details)

Example 1:

Jane had a huge appetite and she loved almost every food. When it was cold outside, Jane headed to her favorite Mexican place for a hot bowl of chili. When the weather was warmer, she might pick a deli for a cold sandwich. There was one food Jane would never pass up on a hot day: homemade ice cream.

Source: <https://uniontestprep.com>

Question: According to the paragraph, what is most likely Jane's favorite cold food?

Example 2:

People discovered rare Roman gloves in northern England near Hadrian's Wall, which was a defensive wall that the Roman emperor built in ad 122.

Roman soldiers practised boxing as an ancient sport to improve their skills and fitness, and they designed the leather gloves to fit over their knuckles as a protective guard.

The gloves are the only surviving specimen from the period around ad 120 and are on display at the Vindolanda Museum along with other Roman items.

Source: www.newsinlevels.com

Question 1: What is the main purpose of this article? - To inform

Question 2: Why did the Romans practise boxing? - Improve skills and fitness

Question 3: Why did Romans wear boxing gloves? - Protective guard