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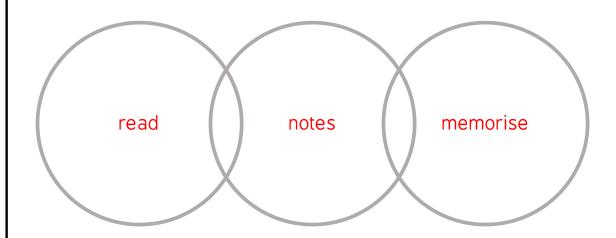
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# STUDY SKILLS KICK START

**WORKBOOK** 



## Dynamic Reading



Step 1

#### Define your purpose

- ✓ Why am I reading this?
- ✓ Look at the title

Step 2

#### Scan the article

- ✓ Look at the <u>sub-headings</u> to find the most important points.
  - Determined & focused
  - ✓ Educated and well-rounded
  - → Gives back to society
- ✓ If there are no subheadings, you can create your own by summarising the topic sentences
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Step 3

#### Find the evidence

- ✓ Look through and find 1-2 ways that prove how Emma Watson gave back to society:
  - 1. Education for girls
  - 2. UN Woman Ambassador

Then repeat for:

#### **Educated & Well rounded**

- 1. 5hrs daily tutorials
- 2. Literature at Brown & Oxford

#### **Determined and Focused**

- 1. Acting school at age 6
- 2. Rehearsing at home



## Formatting your notes — elevant



## Tips for effective notes

- Take notes
- Use your own words 2.
- 3. Use trigger words
- Use colour 4.

Your page:

## Main Heading

#### Sub-heading

- Trigger words (evidence)
- Trigger words (evidence)

#### Sub-heading

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Pictures/diagrams

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Formatting Your Notes

## Emma Watson - Social Icon

#### Determined and Focused

- Acting school age 6
- Practise @ home

#### Educated & Well-rounded

- 5 hours daily tutorials
- Literature at Brown & Oxford

#### Gives back to society

- Education for girls
- UN Woman Ambassador
- Celebrity feminist of the year



#### Which notes are easier to memorise?

#### **Stalin & Families**

Joseph Stalin, when he was the leader of Soviet Russia, encouraged families to be very close and loyal to each other. He encouraged children to be loyal and obedient to their parents, and parents would then be loyal and obedient to their parents. What this meant was that communities were quite harmonious and peaceful which meant there would be less of a chance of any uprising, rebellion or revolution. This is exactly what Stalin wanted as this allowed him to stay in power for longer.

#### **STALIN**

#### Family - Soviet Russia

- Obedient children
- Community peace
- ↓ rebellion
- Stalin keeps power

Trigger word notes: 12 words

Regular notes: 88 words

Trigger word notes allow us to condense a large body of information into a few key phrases or words. In doing so, we reduce how much we write down and increase how much we can remember.



# Note taking exercise ——





## To create a mind map:

- 1. Centre circle = Main idea
- e.g. heading
- 2. 1st branches = Next mean ideas
- e.g. Sub-headings
- 3. 2<sup>nd</sup> branches = (Important details
- (e.g. Bullet points

Mind map exercise:



# Why is Emma Watson a social icon?



We can all agree that successful actors reach 'celebrity status'. Yet, despite thousands of celebrities achieving fame, very few become social icons. Very few celebrities make an effort to impact the world. Emma Watson is a true social icon. How? Let's look at her journey to find out how someone can begin as a film star and grow to become a social icon.

#### Emma is determined & focused

Emma Watson wasn't born into fame. She began developing her acting talent at the age of 6. The young and determined Emma Watson knew that she wanted to be an actress and began working toward her goal by training at Stagecoach Theatre Arts in England when she was only 6 years old.

Emma's parents noticed that Emma was particularly focused. After acting classes, Emma would go home and continue rehearsing and acting even after class finished. 3 years after Emma started acting classes, the casting crew for Harry Potter were looking for young talent to join the cast. Due to Emma's determination and focus, her theatre teacher contacted the casting crew and recommended Emma for a role in Harry Potter!

Emma got role of Hermione Granger and worked tirelessly to bring the character to life. Upon the release of the first Harry Potter movie, film critics praised her performance. Many believed she outshone Harry and was the true star. In fact, her career blossomed so quickly that by the time she was 20, she was named as Hollywood's highest paid female star.

#### Emma is educated & well rounded

Despite being young, talented, famous, and wealthy, Emma still prioritised her education. Unlike many young Hollywood stars who get caught up in fame and tabloids, Emma divided her time between Hogwarts and her normal schooling. As you can imagine, filming a Hollywood blockbuster would be time consuming and difficult for any person. Emma would spend countless hours everyday on set for the films. Despite her busy schedule, Emma committed to having more than 5 hours of tutorials for school every day.

Her studies still remained a priority, and despite her busy acting schedule she went on to receive almost straight A\* in her GCSE exams. Finishing high school is one thing, but Emma's true thirst for knowledge became evident after she finished the Harry Potter series. Most people her age, with her fame and fortune would have used the money to party and live lavish lifestyles. Not Emma Watson. She was committed to expanding her education and went on to study literature at Brown University in Rhode Island and Oxford.

Emma Watson is a shining example of a well-rounded individual. We have countless examples of young celebrities who get caught up in the Hollywood buzz and their own celebrity status. Emma Watson is impressive for developing her off-screen ambitions, despite how well she performed on screen.

#### Emma gives back to society

Most importantly, Emma is a social icon because she gives back to society. Emma is involved in social justice projects where she promotes education for underprivileged girls, travelling to countries such as Bangladesh, Zambia and Uruguay.

In 2014, Emma was appointed as the UN Women Goodwill Ambassador. It is through this role that she gave her famous gender equality speech at the UN in New York City. In this speech she launched the HeforShe campaign, which calls for men to become advocates for feminism as gender issues affect everyone.

She was named as feminist celebrity of the year in 2014 because of her impact. She is much more than a simple film star, she is a social icon.

Whether you're a Harry Potter fan or not, it's impossible to ignore the fact Emma Watson is truly outstanding. She is a social icon because while she began as a highly successful actress, she continued to expand her education and her ability to impact the world in a positive way.