

HOW TO READ A BIOGRAPHY

BIOGRAPHY – an account of a person’s life as written by another person. A biography tells about events in a person’s life focusing on his or her achievements.

AUTOBIOGRAPHY - is an account of one’s own life.

PREVIEW Read all the information on the front and back cover to learn as much information as possible about the subject.

SET YOUR **Some things you may want to know:**

PURPOSE What was the person’s goal or achievement?

Was it achieved?

How was it achieved?

Why was it important?

What was the effect?

What qualities did the person have that enabled him to achieve the goal or accomplishment?

How did time and place affect the life of this individual?

READ Read slowly and carefully to find answers to your questions.

Find details that support your answers.

RESPOND Write down the answers to your questions as you find them.

Keep a **timeline** of events.