Title of Thesis - "An analytical study of reading habits of Aided senior collage students in the science faculty in Shivaji University Kolhapur."

Introduction

Reading is an action of a person who reads and habit is a product of this action or learning. Like all other habits, the habits or reading in an individual develops during the course of time. Smith and Robinson defined reading as "an active attempt on the part of reader to understand a writer's message". Devarajan defines reading as an "art of interpreting printed and written words". Nowadays, a common allegation is raised that the reading habit is decreasing. It is true that if we go to the reading room of a library, we find most of the seats are dusty. It is really a matter of concern. So I made a plan to study the reading habit of the science college students. The purpose of this study is to survey the heading habits of the science college students.

Reading fires the imagination of the person. It adds new sights to eyes and new wisdom to mind. Reading loads the mind with new software (Satija, 2002). The individual who reads well has a means for widening mental horizons and for multiplying opportunities of success. Reading is a vital factor affecting intellectual and emotional growth. Sir Richard Steel has logically quoted, "Reading is to the mind what exercise is to body."

The definition of reading has undergone through meant to extract visual information from any given codes or systems. However, thereafter, reading became much more complex and involved the understanding of a whole text composed of written signs. According to Toit (2001) "Reading is as a process of thinking recalling and relating incepts under the functioning of written words." Devarajan (1989) defined reading as the art of interpreting printed and written


words. Thus, reading is the ability to recognize, and examine words or sentences and understand the information within.

Reading habit influences in the promotion of one's personal development in particular and social progress in general. Regular and systematic reading sharpens the intellect, refines the emotions, elevates tastes and provides perspectives for one's living there by prepares a person for an effective participation in the social, religious, cultural and political life.

Reading is the ability to recognize and examine words or sentences and understand the information within. It is a cognitive process of understanding a written linguistic message and to examine and grasp the meaning of written or printed characters, words or sentences. Therefore, reading gives both power, and pleasure with understanding by reading the material as a unifies whole, by which one can expand the frontiers of knowledge and scholarship.

Reading is the art of Interpreting printed and written words. It should be a natural process like respiration digestionate. It is a basic tool of education and one of the most important skill in everyday life in order to deal effectively with the problems created by social revolution. Reading is necessary there is no doubt the reading is important at every stage of learning from childhood to the grown up level. The reading habits is the one of the powerful and lasting influences in the promotion of one personal development in particular and systematic reading sharpens. The intellect refines the emotions elevates tastes & providing him for a effective participation in the social and political life.

Reading a sharing of experience between the write and reader it involves critical judgment on the part of letter. Reading is considered to be primarily a process of scanning and reading to ideas recorded by the winner.

**Benefits of Reading**
The impact of reading in people is lives is extra ordinarily widespread. A reader can learn neus skills, can be introduced to new facts, he can become more knowledgeable about the whole world and he can stimulated to both thought and emotion. Reading has the unique power of transforming readers. It is something's said, "The things I went to know are in books. My friend is the man who win get a book to read." Francis Bacon therefore, rightly said, "Reading makes a full man." The reading habit is one of the powerful and lasting influences in the promotion of one's personal development in particular and social progress in general. Regular and systematic reading sharpens. His intellect, refines the emotions, elevates tastes and provided perspectives for one's living and thereby lore pares him for an effective civilizing force tending to white social groups through the dissemination of common expenses. Considering the social, cultural and educational goals of reading, it is felt that it is worthwhile to know the reading habits of students community.

Reading is one of the habit of every students life. So that anyone can say that "You can read then you can be perfect." In the science faculty students habits of known to doing study for me the accidently motivated. So I have taken the primary knowledge of that subject and thought do to research on that subject.