

1. FIND THE MEANING

- You are going to read the text *World Cup 2018*. Look at the pictures, the title and the headings of the text.
 - What is the text about?
 - What do you already know about this subject? Discuss in small groups.
- Read the explanation.

EXPLANATION

When you read a text and you see a word that you don't know, you can take the following steps:

- Look at the **pictures** of the text. Maybe they give you a clue about the meaning.
- Read** the sentence **again**. Read the sentence **before and after** the word too. Maybe you can find the meaning of the word.
- Look at the **word itself**. Maybe you already know part(s) of the word. For example from a language you already know. For example, you may recognise the Dutch word 'finale' in the word 'final'.
- Are step 1 and 2 not helpful? Then look the word up in a **dictionary**, or ask someone else. Always check if the meaning fits in the sentence!



- Now, read the text together with a classmate. The words below are words from the text. Mark these words in the text. While reading, underline or mark also other words you don't know. You can write these words down in 1.4.
- What do the words mean? Use the steps from the **EXPLANATION**, and write down the **meaning** of the word.
What step from the explanation (1 – 4) did you use? Write it down in the right column.

Words from text	Meaning	step I used (1-4)
the final (line 2)		
matches (line 3)		
plenty (line 4)		

seats (line 9)		
cities (line 10)		
across (line 11)		
quarter- (line 13)		
semi- (line 13)		
modernised (line 18)		
trophy (line 20)		
mascot (line 20)		
have a chance (line 25)		

2. ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

What is the text about? Work with a classmate and answer the questions. Try to answer in a full sentence.



1. **When** will the World Cup 2018 take place?

2. **Where** will it take place?

3. **Who** is the mascot of this World Cup?

4. **Who** will win the World Cup?

3. FACTS ABOUT WORLD CUP 2018

The text tells you some interesting facts about the World Cup 2018. Fill in the most interesting facts in the table below.

WORLD CUP 2018	
From ... until ...:	
Number of countries:	
Number of matches:	
Stadiums:	
Largest stadium:	
Opening game:	
Quarter-finals:	
Semi-finals:	
Official logo:	
Mascot:	
Possible winners:	

4. YOUR PREDICTION

Who will win the World Cup 2018, according to you? Fill in your predictions in the table on the next page. Fill in the countries and the scores.

If you want, you can make a competition of it. Who in your class made the best prediction?

