From the Editors

Welcome to this issue of *Reading in a Foreign Language*. We are pleased to announce that with next fall's issue, we will begin a new feature entitled *Readings on L2 Reading: Publications in other Venues*. This section will include basic information about articles of interest dealing with L2 reading that have been published in sources other than *RFL*. The editor of this section will be Dr. Cindy Brantmeier of Washington University in St. Louis. For more information, please <u>read the description</u>. We hope it will be of service to many of our readers.

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We hope that you find this issue of *RFL* interesting and useful. We would like to have your feedback to the articles; please feel free to contact us with your reactions, comments and suggestions.

In This Issue

- Kiyomi Chujo and Masao Utiyama examine how vocabulary size, text length, and sample size affect text coverage.
- Alan Hunt and David Beglar review second language reading vocabulary research and propose a framework to help EFL teachers speed up lexical development.

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• Richard Day and Jeong-suk Park present different types of comprehension and the types of reading comprehension questions in order to assist teachers and materials writers.

- Averil Coxhead reviews *Reading Skills for Success: A Guide to Academic Texts* by Thomas A. Upton.
- Paul Harvey reviews Early Reading Instruction: What Science Really Tells Us about How to Teach Reading by Dianne McGuinness.
- Reiko Komiyama reviews *Concept-Oriented Reading Instruction: Engaging Classrooms, Lifelong Learners* by Emily Anderson Swan.
- Patricia Carrell presents the first review of *Extensive Reading Activities for Teaching Language* by Julian Bamford and Richard Day.
- Amos Paran presents the second review of Bamford and Day's book.