STRATEGY GROUP: Cognitive

STRATEGY SET: Receiving and sending messages

STRATEGY: Using resources for receiving and sending messages

This strategy involves using resources to find out the meaning of what is read in the new language. To better understand what is read, printed resources such as dictionaries, word lists, grammar books, and phrase books may be valuable.

Marc, a learner of Spanish, is reading a Spanish short story filled with modern slang terms. Most of the time he succeeds in grasping the meaning from the context, but when totally baffled he finds it necessary to use a dictionary of Spanish slang.