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The purposes of this study were to find the reading strategies frequently used by students of English Department of IAIN KEDIRI in comprehending report text and to find the differences in strategies used by proficient reader and less-proficient reader. Six teen students were taken as the sample of this study. They were given a reading test to determine them as proficient reader and less-proficient reader.

This study used descriptive qualitative design with the researcher herself, reading test, think aloud method, questionnaire, and interview as the instruments of this study. The data were transcribed and classified under three categories based on language learning strategies by O'Malley & Chamot (1990) that are cognitive strategies, metacognitive strategies, and socio-affective strategies.

The results show that the reading strategies frequently used by students are translating, scanning, and highlighting/underlining which are categorized in cognitive strategies. The difference in strategy used by proficient reader and less-proficient reader is in the frequency of using reading strategy.

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