MY READING EXPERIENCE
A LITTLE BIT ABOUT ME

• Philosophy graduate

• Now working for the university

• Lived in halls and off campus

• From East Sussex near Brighton
SETTLING IN AND FRESHERS FORTNIGHT

• Meet new people
• Socialise
• JCRs (hall representatives)
• 2 weeks of fun socials
• Fancy dress and face paint
• Fresher’s ball
• Welcome lectures
FAYRES

• Same interests!
• Challenging yourself
• Meet even more people!

• Sports fayre
• Volunteering fayre
• Societies fayre
• Careers fayre
HALLS

- Extremely varied
- On / off campus
- Catered/ Self Catered
- Washbasin/ Non washbasin
- Premium ensuite/ Ensuite
- Standard bedroom
- Shared bathrooms
PRIVATE RENTED ACCOMMODATION

- Optional
- Often 2\textsuperscript{nd} and 3\textsuperscript{rd} years
- Taste of greater independence
- Move in with new friends
- Student lettings
- Off campus
- Get to know Reading better
HOW IS UNIVERSITY DIFFERENT FROM SCHOOL?

- Lectures
- Seminars & Tutorials
- Tutors
- Study Abroad
- Drop in ASK sessions
- Lab based work
- Practicals
- Workshops
- Placements
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RUSU

- Get involved
- Spark newspaper
- Junction 11
- RAG Volunteering
- Sabbatical officers (student welfare and representation)
- Ruon
- 3sixty entertainment
- Cafés
- Course Reps
- Fruit and veg market
SPORT CLUBS

• All student led and student run!
• Over 57 Sports teams
  » Rugby
  » Archery
  » Rowing
  » Football
  » Hockey
  » Snowsports and many more
SOCIETIES

Over 100 societies
Just to name a few...

• Lock picking
• Quidditch
• Travel
• Your course!
• Swing dance
• Rock Soc
EXPLORE A NEW TOWN

- Plenty to do!
- The Oracle shopping centre
- The Riverside
- Music venues and night clubs
- Madejski Football stadium
- Reading Festival
SUPPORT

• Personal Tutor
• Seminar Tutors
• Drop in sessions
• Financial support
• Careers advice and CV clinic
• Jobshop
• IT help desk
BARGAIN SHOPPING

- HoVIS Soft White: 89p
- Heinz Beanz: 64p
- Tetley Original: £2.29
- Full Cream Milk: £1.90
- Tesco White Medium Loaf: 50p
- Everyday Value Baked Beans: 24p
- Tesco Original: £1.00
- Full Cream Milk: £1.00
BARGAIN SHOPPING

£1.20

£1.79

£3.50

30p

85p

£2.50

Branded Total = £12.21
Non Branded Total = £6.39

Saving £5.52
BUDGETING

- NUS extra card
- Other student discounts
- Student nights at RUSU
- Part time jobs on/off campus
- Weekly food shops
- Cooking together
- Student bus ticket
- Weekly/Monthly budget check