

Reading Ebooks online - A simple guide for parents

I know some of you have asked about changing reading books. Unfortunately this isn't something we can do at this time, however it is really important to keep reading while you are home schooling. Here are some links to some of the best Ebooks you can read online at home. These websites are simple to use and many of them do link to the reading book band colours you are on at school. There is a table with our book band levels at the bottom of the document and corresponding levels on these websites. Here is a simple guide for how to use these websites and usernames and passwords to get on. We would love you to send us pictures of you reading at home through Class Dojo.

I hope these are useful. Keep reading everyone.

Please remember, for those children learning early reading skills, it is important to re-read books to develop fluency and comprehension.

Oxford Owl

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/books/free-ebooks/>

Nightingale class log in:

Username nightingale2020

Password Nightingale2020

You can make your own account for children in other classes.

To get onto appropriate books for your child based on their reading level on Oxford Owl, log in, click on Oxford Owl for Home, go to books at the top of the page, then click on eBook library. Scroll down the page and you can choose books specific to your child's age phase or choose from your child's book band.

Alternatively, clicking on the links below should take you to your books that are at your child's reading book level. Ideal for all classes.

Browse by Oxford Level

- [Oxford Level 1](#) | Book Band: Lilac
- [Oxford Level 1+](#) | Book Band: Pink
- [Oxford Level 2](#) | Book Band: Red
- [Oxford Level 3](#) | Book Band: Yellow
- [Oxford Level 4](#) | Book Band: Light blue
- [Oxford Level 5](#) | Book Band: Green
- [Oxford Level 6](#) | Book Band: Orange

- [Oxford Level 7](#) | Book Band: Turquoise
- [Oxford Level 8](#) | Book Band: Purple, Brown
- [Oxford Level 9](#) | Book Band: Gold, Brown
- [Oxford Level 10](#) | Book Band: White, Brown
- [Oxford Level 11](#) | Book Band: Lime, Brown
- [Oxford Level 12](#) | Book Band: Lime+, Grey
- [Oxford Level 13](#) | Book Band: Grey
- [Oxford Level 14](#) | Book Band: Grey
- [Oxford Level 15](#) | Book Band: Dark blue
- [Oxford Level 16](#) | Book Band: Dark blue
- [Oxford Level 17](#) | Book Band: Dark red
- [Oxford Level 18](#) | Book Band: Dark red
- [Oxford Level 19](#) | Book Band: Dark red
- [Oxford Level 20](#) | Book Band: Dark red

Epic

<https://www.getepic.com/app/edu-dashboard>

Miss Pettit and Mr Woodsford have set up accounts for Nightingale and Tyndale classes. Each child should have log in details that were sent to parents' email addresses. Accept this through your email and you should be ready to go. The email may go to your junk/spam file so please look out for this.

Miss Pettit and Mr Woodsford have assigned books to children in Nightingale and Tyndale classes. These should be closely linked to your child's phonic knowledge and/or reading level. Miss Pettit has also created a collections suggestion with reading books for Nightingale class and a topic reading book collection on Toys, our topic for summer 1.

There are also lots of audio books, videos and quizzes children might like to have a go at. There are also audio books children can select too.

Collins

<https://connect.collins.co.uk/school/Primary/PrimaryDashboard.aspx>

Banded Big Cat books

Click on teacher, then log in using:

parents@harpercollins.co.uk

Password - Parents20!

Click on Collins Big Cat. On the left side of the page, you can select reading book levels from Pink - Lime. These are in line with the book band system we use in school so you can select the level appropriate for your child then choose books to read. Recommended for **Hillary**, **Nightingale** and **Tyndale** classes.

Pearson's Bug Club

<https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0>

Books allocated from yellow to grey.

Username: Rainbow

Password: Rainbow

School code: Rkg6

When you get onto the page, there is a tab at the top saying "My Stuff".

Select the Bug Club reading books or click on Phonics to see reading books more suitable for children in year 1 and below, where books are designed to link to the children's phonic knowledge and build on this.

This is a generic log in a teacher from another school has recommended with books from yellow up to grey level. If look at the colour band at the bottom of the picture of the book, it indicates the reading colour band for the lower reading levels.

Miss Pettit has requested a school log in for Gamston School. This is something we are still waiting on. When we get log in details for our school, they will be sent out for you to use but for now, you should be able to use this one. For now, this is most appropriate for **Hillary** and **Nightingale** class children but will be more relevant for all children when we receive our school log in and can allocate more books.

These books are useful as they include 'Bug notes', guidance for parents and you can also select the 'Read to me' option.

Phonics play

<http://www.phonicsplaycomics.co.uk/>

Username: march20

Password: home

Here is a selection of phonics comics. These are ideal for nursery, reception, Y1 and Y2 (for phonics revision). You can choose to read the comics linked to daily phonic sounds.

Nursery should be working at phase 1/2.

Reception should be working at phase 3, progressing into phase 4.

Y1 should be working on Phase 5.

Y2 should be working on Phase 6.

<https://new.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

This is a really good website for phonics as it contains lots of games children can play to help develop their phonics. Highly recommended for **Hillary** and **Nightingale** classes. This will also be beneficial for children developing early reading skills, who are still using and applying phonics to help them decode and blend to develop their word level reading.

First news (Children's Newspaper)

<https://schools.firstnews.co.uk/act-sheets-samples-discover/>

Follow the link and enter your details below to request your free Activity Sheets and First News PDF edition. These are free weekly newspaper resources and include a range of comprehension resources. Ideal for **Bannister** and **Tyndale classes**.

Teachwire - Topical Tuesday tasks

<https://www.teachwire.net/news/the-week-junior-topical-tuesdays>

Ideal for **Bannister** and **Tyndale** class (suggested year 4/5/6).

Join in with Topical Tuesdays and get fascinating news stories with free teaching activities every week.

Scroll down to the stories (unfortunately Virtual MPs doesn't seem to be working at the moment). Click on the story you want to view e.g. 2. NHS. Click download for free. Then create a free membership account and you should be able to view the free resources released weekly.

Live story readings

David Walliams

11AM daily. Ideal for KS2.

<https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/elevenses/>

You can watch any time throughout the day before the next day's video is posted.

If you miss any extracts this week, they will be on the catch up page this coming Saturday, and will be there for a week.

Oliver Jeffers

Watch LIVE on Oliver's instagram (@oliverjeffers) at 7 PM.

<https://www.oliverjeffers.com/abookaday>

The link will take you to previously read stories. Great for all age groups.

Book band comparison chart

Book Band/ Colour	Collins BIG CAT	Words	Phonics Phase	Oxford Reading Tree
0 Lilac	0 Lilac	0		Level 1
1 Pink	1A Pink A/ 1B Pink B	Under 25	Phase 2	Level 1+
2 Red	2A Red A/ 2B Red B	25-45/ 45-80	Phase 3	Level 2
3 Yellow	3 Yellow	80-120	Phase 3/4	Level 3
4 Blue	4 Blue	100-200	Phase 4/5	Level 4
5 Green	5 Green	200-300	Phase 5	Level 5
6 Orange	6 Orange	300-450	Phase 5/6	Level 6
7 Turquoise	7 Turquoise	450-600	Phase 5/6	Level 7
8 Purple	8 Purple	600-850	Phase 6	Level 8
9 Gold	9 Gold	850-1100	Phase 6	Level 9
10 White	10 White	1100-1500		Level 10
11 Lime	11 Lime	1500-2000		Level 11
12 Brown	12 Copper/ 13 Topaz	Over 2000	Year 3	Level 11/12
13 Grey	14 Ruby/ 15 Emerald		Year 4	Level 12/13/14
14 Dark Blue	16 Sapphire		Year 5	Level 15/16
15 Dark Red	17 Diamond		Year 6	Level 17-20
16 Black	18 Pearl		Year 6 +	

Lexile Level conversion chart for teachers

Converting levels on Epic

ORT	Approx Age	Year	NC Level	Lexile Level
1	4-5	R	-	0-75
2	4-5	R	-	75-125
3	4-5	R	1	125-200
4	5-6	1	1	200-225
5	5-6	1	1	225-300
6	5-6	1	2	300-325
7	6-7	2	2	325-400
8	6-7	2	2	400-475
9	6-7	2	2	475-575
10	6-7	2	3	575-625
11	7-8	3	3	625-650
12	7-8	3	3	650-725
13	8-9	4	4	725-750
14	9-10	5	4	750-900
15	10-11	6	4	900-1000
16	10-11	6	4+	1000+