

Winter reading magazine 2022



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How to help your child love reading

Tip 1

Does your child love dogs? Minecraft? Football? Unicorns? Magic? Comics? You can find books about most interests at your local library.

Ask your librarian to help you find these books in your local library

Find books related to your child's interests



Tip 2

Most children (and adults) love books that make them laugh. BookTrust have an amazing book finder where you can find funny books for every age. Scan below to discover some funny books and ask your local librarian to help you find them.



Make it fun - try reading books that make you laugh



Tip 3

Find books by an author they like or similar books to ones they have enjoyed

There are lots of amazing book lists online to inspire your reading choices and tell you about similar books to those you have enjoyed.

Scan below to see some recommendations from The Reader Teacher.



Tip 4

Don't just save reading for bedtime

You can read any time.

Why not bring a book to the dentist to read whilst you are waiting? Could you bring a book outside? How about keeping some books in the buggy or car for long journeys?

Make reading a book something you can do any time of day.



Tip 5

Don't worry about what your child is reading

Don't worry if your child is only reading books by one author or only reads comics. If they enjoy it, let them read it. You can help them widen their reading choices later. For younger children, it is fine if they want to read the same book again and again for a while. Many children love the repetition and comfort of a familiar book.





Reading apps and websites

that we recommend



Decodable books to read at home

If you are looking for books to practise early reading at home, try these websites:

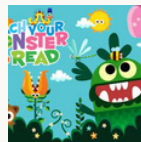


BookTrust Hometime

Listen to stories read by authors or draw along with an illustrator



Teach your Monster to Read



Helping you enjoy storytime from home



Phonics Play

This website has some free games to practise phonics in a fun way



Sounds Write app



Reading Eggs


Sign up for a free 30-day trial of this fun way to help your child with reading



Learn to Love to Read website



The new children's laureate: Joseph Coelho




JOSEPH'S LAUREATESHIP GOALS

BOOKMAKER LIKE YOU – showcasing a diversity of new talent within the book industry so that every child can see themselves as a bookmaker.

POETRY PROMPTS – celebrating the power of poetry in all its forms, and showing the joy that writing, reading and performing poetry can bring.

LIBRARY MARATHON – Joseph's personal mission to join a library in every local authority in the UK, thus encouraging people to register with their local library and highlighting the vital role libraries play in inspiring a love of reading in young people.



Joseph will share a weekly 'Poetry Prompt' video to inspire the nation, young and old, to write poems and to become poets.

Each video will see him exploring a different subject or technique – such as similes, onomatopoeia and figurative language – and showing how this can be brought to life in fun and engaging ways through poetry.

Scan here
to see some
of Joseph's
videos



The Poetry of Joseph Coelho

Waterstones Children's Laureate
2022-2024 Children's author and...

[youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com)



Winter wordsearch

C	I	I	I	S	N	O	W	F	L	A	K	E	P
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A	E	G	N	O	N	O	F	V	G	E	G	R	F
I	A	R	I	E	R	D	A	R	K	B	I	A	N
C	E	C	P	F	O	T	V	S	T	I	L	A	O
E	F	I	I	F	R	K	I	R	N	H	N	R	E

PINECONE
SCARF
HIBERNATION
ICY
WINTER
SNOWFLAKE
ICICLE
COAT
FESTIVE
WINDY
FROSTY
GLOVES
DARK

Play this puzzle online at : <https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/4182074/>

Scan here to play online





Talking about books



What does that word mean? Can you use it in a different sentence?

Can you make up a different ending to the story?

Which part was your favourite and why?

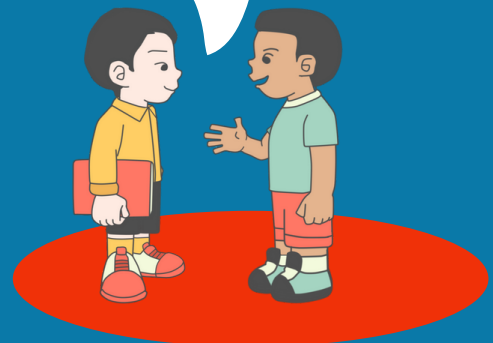
Why do you think the character did that?



What do you think happens next in the story?

What do you think the author meant by ...?

How would you describe the character?



How do you think the character is feeling?

How does that part of the story make you feel?





The Winter Reading Challenge

Taking part in the Winter Mini Challenge is simple: all you have to do is read at least three books between 1 December 2022 and 20 February 2023.

Once you've read a book, add it to your website profile and write a review to let everyone know what you thought.

Add 3 books or more to complete the Winter Mini Challenge and unlock a brand new certificate AND a limited-edition virtual badge!

How it works

Welcome to the Winter Mini Challenge, a reading challenge running from 1 December 2022 to 20 February 2023!



1. Sign up

Click 'Join now' to create your account



2. Read books

Set your reading goal and read anything you like! Each time you finish a book, add it to your profile and leave a review



3. Earn digital rewards

Unlock digital badges and virtual rewards for your reading. You can even unlock a downloadable certificate if you reach your Challenge goal!



<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

MEET THE AUTHOR: CLARE LUTHER

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Clare is a local author who has supported Learn to Love to Read in many ways, including author visits and book donations to our partner schools.

Why did you start writing books?

I started writing children's books when I became a mum as I wanted to create stories to help my children and me, and other families with young children, talk about our big everyday emotions.

How long does it take you to write a book?

It can really vary - some can take me a month, some can take over six months.

What is the hardest thing about writing a book?

Finding words that rhyme with each other and for them all to make sense in the story (even though it's hard work, I LOVE the challenge).

MEET THE AUTHOR: CLARE LUTHER

Which of your books that you have written is your favourite?

I'll have to choose two. 'Olive' because the dog is so brave in working through her worries and 'Wilbur' because the dog realises how important it is to show respect and be kind to others.



What books did you love to read as a child?

I really enjoyed reading 'series' of books and my three favourites were The Munch Bunch, The Garden Gang and The Worst Witch. I would visit the library, read them over and over again, copy the illustrations and then make up my own stories.



What tips or advice would you give children who want to be an author?

Never expect to write the perfect story first time; instead be patient, allow your imagination to go in all directions, be prepared to rethink a story line and have another go, and have fun with the words.



To find out more about Clare and her books scan here



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Who do we work with?



partner schools
in Wandsworth



children's centres
in Wandsworth



other charities
in Wandsworth



families living
in Wandsworth

What do we do?

Develop a
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Workshops and
parent training



Training and providing
reading volunteers



Early Years' classes

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