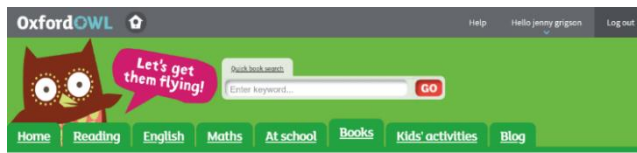


Online Resources to Help With Reading at Home

Below are some of the ways that might be useful to support reading and phonics at home. If you have any questions, please email your class email and a member of your child's class team will get back to you asap.

Oxford Owl



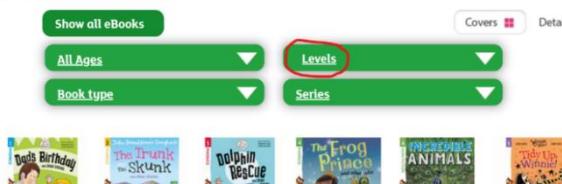
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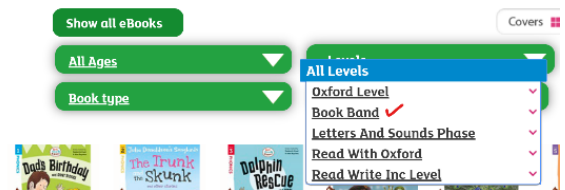
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Browse the library



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I would suggest searching for books by using the 'Levels' filter, rather than by age, as within ages there can be a big difference in ability. It is more important to match the books your child reads by stage and not age.

There are different types of level, depending on the scheme.

Below is a rough guide to the link between our school book band colours (which should be taped or printed around the spine of the book) and the other ways to filter your search by level and the corresponding Read Write Inc (RWI) level book colours.

Book Band (same as school reading book)	RWI books	Oxford Level*	Letters and Sounds Phase
		1	1
Beginning	Sound Blending books	1+	2
Developing	Ditty		
Beginning		Level 2	2/3
Developing			
Beginning		Level 3	3/4
Developing			
		Level 4	4/5
		Level 5	5
		Level 6	5/6



(*When searching through by Oxford Level, I had to keep clicking the back button to get it to reload properly!)

Once you have selected the correct level, have a look through the titles and see which one your child is interested in.

This site also has a 'Simple Test' that you can complete with your child to help work out which books to look at if you get really stuck, or contact your child's class teacher who will be very happy to signpost you to the right books.

It is also important to mention that not all of the eBooks are phonetically decodable, so are good to build visual recognition of words, but your child will not be able to use phonics to help them work out unknown words.

The Read Write Inc (see below), Oxford Reading Tree Phonics and Project X phonics books are decodable so may be an easier place to start.

- *Read Write Inc books* – these are great for practising and applying phonics. The sound blending books work on reading CVC words and then, from Red Ditty books, each book starts with some pages to help learn the green (can sound out) and red (tricky) words *before* you start reading the story.

These have been designed so that you can work through the books in order. The link below will take you straight to the RWI books.

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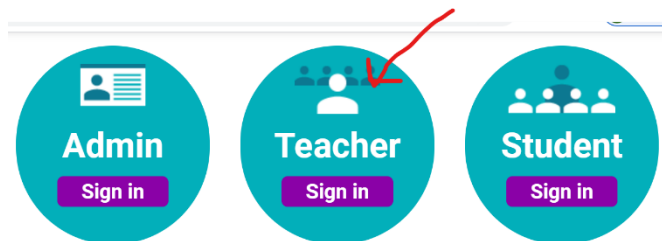
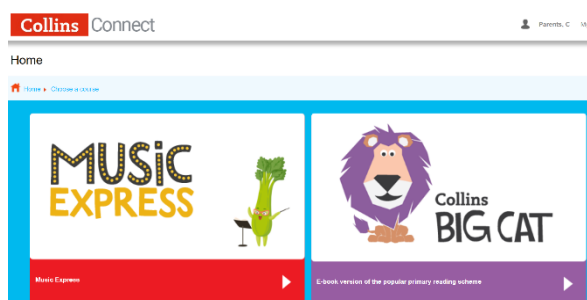
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Click on 'Collins Connect'

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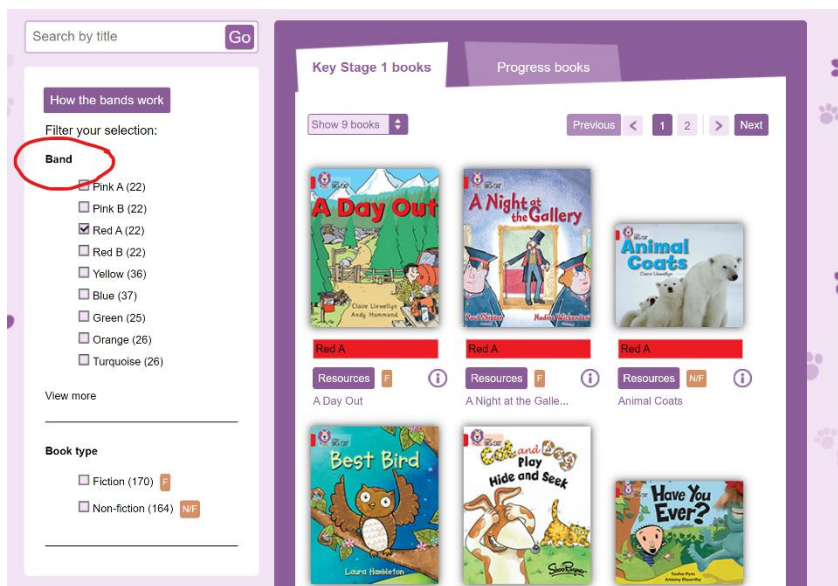
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Click on the BIG CAT for ebooks. Select the level by colour (the same as we use at school).

If your child is reading Pink or Red colour books, there are 2 choices. The 'A' books are for children beginning/developing at this level. The 'B' books are for those developing/secure. Try a band 'A' first and if they read this without much help, move to band 'B'.

You can keep the sound on and your child can follow the words and then you could turn it off (and use the pause button if necessary) so that they can read the words. Please be aware that these are not phonetically decodable books so you will need to help with unknown words as they may not always be able to be sounded out.



Bug Club

<https://www.pearson.com/uk/forms/homeschool-planner-form.html>

Fill in the online forms and they will get back to you with log in details in 48-72 hours with a username, password and school code.

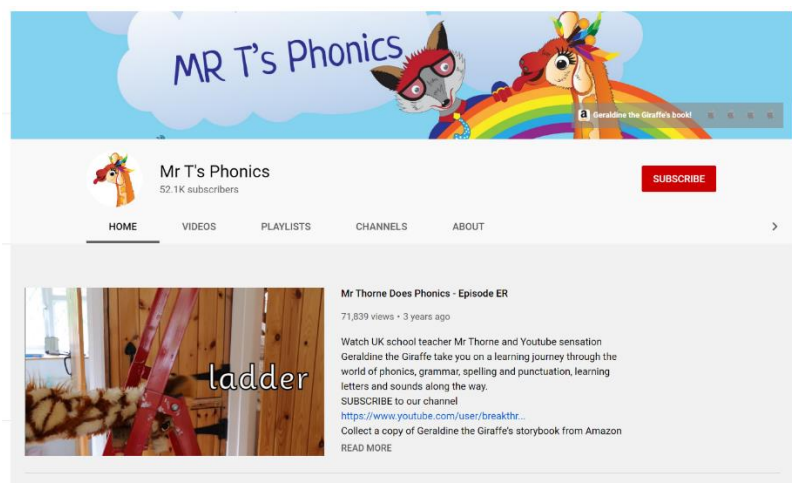
When you add details of your child/children it will ask how old they are and how long they have been reading to determine which books you are given access to.

The Bug Club books are all decodable and should link to the book band colour that your child is reading from school. You can then pick a book, with your child, some of which you may recognise from school. Work through the books in the 'My Stuff' section, reading each a few times and answering the comprehension questions at the end.

Remember, all these books, as with school reading books, are designed to be read **AT LEAST 3 times** each. Your child should be able to read them **FLUENTLY** (not sounding out any, or only a couple of words) before moving on to the next book.

Mr T's Phonics

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7sW4i8p7k9D_qRRMUgGqyw



Look through the videos for more practise, words to read and more challenge in sentences. (Just check that the letters are making the sound you want eg 'ow' as in 'snow' not 'ow' as in 'cow'!) There are also 'Top Tips' videos (what 'phonics' is, story writing, helping your child to read at home) and some assessment videos where you can see if you can apply your knowledge of sounds to read 'alien' words.

Phonics Play Comics

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

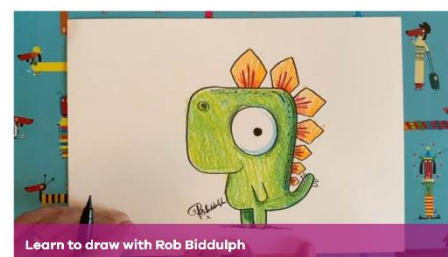
PhonicsPlay comics are decodable comics featuring familiar characters from PhonicsPlay along with some new friends. They are short, simple, silly comics that can be viewed on screen or printed out. They aim to provide opportunities for children to rehearse the precise knowledge and skills that they learn in school each week. Mostly though, they were created to make my own children smile.



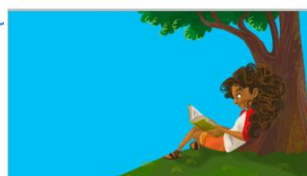
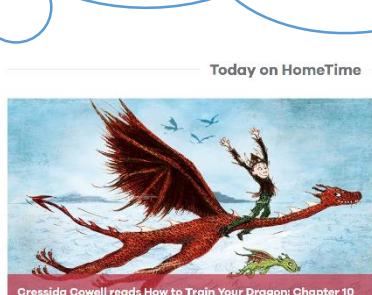
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