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Reading Websites

Dear Parents / Carers

We have been enjoying your feed back from lots of you accessing Oxford Owl books to read at home. We are aware that there are limited books for each level so we have put together a list below of additional websites that you might want to access to read books until we are all back at school and able to take books home to read.

Please record the books you are reading – real and virtual books as your child’s teacher will enjoy seeing what they have been reading over the past few weeks. You might want to look at comic websites of the comics you enjoy reading or look at your favourite author’s website.

Oak Academy https://library.thenational.academy/	Virtual school library with interviews with different authors and the opportunity to read some of their books
Book Trust https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/storybooks-and-games/	Lots of story books to read and games to play
https://www.lovereadng4kids.co.uk/	Lots of recommended books and Kidszone with lots of activities to engage in
https://www.youtube.com/user/puffinbooks1	Lots of books read by famous authors / people
https://www.youtube.com/user/HCCchildrensBooks	Harper Collins Children’s Books Lots of videos of books being read aloud
National Geographic for Kids https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/	Lots of articles and information for children to read and enjoy
BBC Bitesize https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize	A variety of activities in the English sections for Key Stages 1 and 2

You might also enjoy listening to the stories below being read aloud – some of them are read by the author. They are all available on Storytime! through the Schoolreaders website:

Storytime Spring term, Week 3

‘Elmer’ read by the author David McKee

Elmer is different. Elmer is patchwork. The grey elephants all love him, but he soon starts to wonder what it would be like to be just the same as them...

With our thanks to David McKee for reading his story.

Reading Age 5+

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'Just One of Those Days' by Jill Murphy

It had been a long night... so Mr and Mrs Bear woke up late.

When Mr and Mrs Bear wake up late, it's raining outside - and Baby Bear is late for nursery. Then Mrs Bear sits on her glasses at muddle through cheerfully, and there's even a surprise for Baby Bear when Mr Bear gets home from work.

Reading Age 5+

'Boogie Bear' by David Walliams

Up at the North Pole, a big furry polar bear is swimming, fishing and eating. But when she nods off and finds herself far from home, she thinks things can't get any worse. But they can...Much worse!

Reading Age 6+

'Not now, Bernard' by David McKee read by actor Ben Bailey Smith (please be aware that Bernard gets eaten) which has a great [activity](#) to go with it.

He's found a monster in the back garden but his mum and dad are just too busy to notice. So Bernard tries to befriend the monster... and that doesn't go quite to plan. Reading Age 6+

Spring Term, Week 2

'The Go-Away Bird' by Julia Donaldson

The Go-Away bird sat up in her nest, with her fine grey wings and her fine grey crest.' One by one, the other birds fly into her tree, wanting to talk or to play, but the Go-Away bird just shakes her head and sends them all away. But then the dangerous Get-You bird comes along, and she soon realises that she might need some friends after all . . . Reading Age 5+, Interest Age 3+

'The Worrysaurus' by Rachel Bright

It's a beautiful day and Worrysaurus has planned a special picnic. But it isn't long before a small butterfly of worry starts fluttering in his tummy . . .What if he hasn't brought enough to eat? What if he gets lost in the jungle? What if he trips and falls? What if it rains?! Can Worrysaurus find a way to chase his fears away and have fun? Reading Age 6+, Interest Age 4+

'Gorilla' by Anthony Browne

Hannah loves gorillas but has never seen one. Her father's too busy to take her to the zoo – or for anything else come to that. For her birthday, Hannah asks her father for a gorilla – but is disappointed when she discovers that the gorilla she's got is just a toy one. But then something extraordinary happens ... the toy turns into a real gorilla, who puts on her father's hat and coat and takes her off for a magical visit to the zoo...Reading Age 6+, Interest Age 4+

Please continue to read with your child and record in your child's reading diary. We look forward to lots more photos being sent of children reading in unusual places to gain an entry to the reading raffle which will be announced in Collective Worship each week.

Please send photos to nichola.allerston@marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk

Kind regards,
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