

Primary Literacy Reading Pathways

Designed to help *all* your pupils
develop a lifelong love of reading.



Building a strong foundation for language and literacy success

Language and literacy are fundamental skills that are essential to lifelong success. That's why at Pearson, we want all children to be able to develop a lifelong love of reading, and to feel that our books are for them, whatever their ability, background or identity. We want to inspire and motivate children to read for pleasure and open up a world of possibilities. Pearson Primary Literacy products address the key aspects of the DfE's Reading Framework, from phonics to skilled reading, and have all you need to support every child's journey to reading fluency.

We are focusing on reading fluency across our school. Our newly purchased Bug Club books from across the Bug Club family will really help us to embed that with a consistent approach that reflects the fluency guidance in the Reading Framework.

Jennifer Kane, SENDCo,
King Street Primary School



Literacy Pathways: offering more choice for you and your pupils

We are passionate about language and literacy and want to work with teachers by offering the right support and quality resources. Our Primary Literacy Reading Pathways – Phonics, eBook Library, Intervention and Assessment, are designed with you in mind and offer more choice for you and your pupils. You can choose to have one, a few, or all of them and our Pathways can be used independently or seamlessly together. Whichever option you choose, you can be assured that our effective, evidence-based Pathways will support all teachers and pupils to get the best possible outcomes.





The results **speak** for themselves...

Bug Club

A Bug Club randomised controlled trial was conducted by leading academics from UCL Institute of Education (IOE) in partnership with the Pearson UK Research team. The study looked into the impact of Bug Club on literacy attainment for 1,510 pupils.

Take a look at the results

After 12 months, pupils using Bug Club continued to make highly significant gains in their reading when compared to pupils not using Bug Club.*

After five terms, pupils in the Bug Club programme were 11 months ahead of their expected age equivalent reading score, relative to their chronological age.*

After 5.5 months, children receiving Pupil Premium gained up to 3 months progress.*

*As measured by the InCAS standardised reading assessment.

**95% of
children**

enjoyed reading by
the end of the study,

**an increase
of 9%**

Children make

**30 months
of progress
in 18
months**



Read the full Bug Club Efficacy Research Report at
pearsonprimary.co.uk/bugclubefficacy

Rapid

Thousands of schools up and down the country use Rapid to help their struggling learners, including children from disadvantaged backgrounds and those with SEND, catch up in phonics and reading. An independent study by the National Foundation for Educational Research (NFER) told us that children using Rapid Reading make more than twice the normal rate of progress in reading. And a trial in Worcestershire found children quadrupled their expected reading progress.



	Expected gain/ length of trial	Average gain with Rapid	Ratio of actual gain vs. expected gain
Rapid Reading trial in Worcestershire	3 months	13 months	4.3 times the normal rate
Rapid Reading trial in Neath Port Talbot	6 months	19 months	3.2 times the normal rate
Rapid Phonics trial in Neath Port Talbot	3 months	7 months in spelling	2 times the normal rate in spelling
		13 months in reading	4 times the normal rate in reading



Find out more at
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Leading the way with diversity and inclusion

Our diverse range of inclusive books celebrate what makes us unique and feature minority ethnic main characters as well as different types of families, physical disabilities, and a variety of beliefs and experiences.

Meet some of our exciting authors

Tanya
Luther Agarwal



Tanya has written over 100 books for children and adults, published in India, the UK, the UAE, and Finland. Several of her books have been translated into 75 foreign languages. She recently moved from New Delhi, India to the US and her three *At Lilypad Pond* stories for Bug Club Independent reflect the idea of moving to a new place.

Gemma
Bagnall



Gemma grew up in the Gypsy, Romany and Traveller (GRT) community and has written a set of three delightful stories about three children, two of whom are from the GRT community. The books celebrate the rich storytelling traditions in GRT culture through the characters' imaginative play and their adventures at each other's homes, including on a Traveller site.

Dan
White



Dan's books are about Brook, a confident girl who uses a wheelchair and wouldn't change her circumstances. Brook is based on Dan's daughter, a bold, exciting, adventurous wheelchair user who has always pushed boundaries.

Abi
Wainwright



Abi was born in Sri Lanka and moved to England as a young child. She and her husband have three children who are British Sri Lankan. Abi has written three books that feature a British-Asian family so that her children and others can see themselves represented.

Tony
Dallas



Tony has written three books about a girl of Jamaican origin whose Nana comes to visit from Jamaica and is surprised by her British experiences. Tony based his characters on his daughter and his grandmother – he says both are just like the characters in the book!



We are constantly expanding our range of books so young readers can experience a wide array of characters, voices and themes that they can engage with, enjoy and be inspired by to read further and to develop their own voices.

An overview of the **Primary Literacy Reading Pathways**

Our Primary Literacy Reading Pathways are as flexible as you need them to be, giving you what you need to teach the way you want to teach. You can choose to have one, a few, or all of them. They can be used independently or seamlessly together.



What are the different Pathways?

Phonics Pathway

Everything you need to meet your teaching and reading requirements for phonics for Reception and Year 1. Bug Club Phonics lessons, lesson plans, classroom resources and allocatable games, in addition to our Bug Club Phonics eBook Library of 180 fully decodable readers.



eBook Library Pathway

Beautiful KS1 and KS2 books featuring exciting topics and characters children know and love for independent, guided and shared reading. It also includes Bug Club Reading Corner – a diverse online library of books that children can choose according to their interests, encouraging them to read for pleasure.



Intervention Pathway

Engaging, finely-levelled and dyslexia-friendly eBooks from Rapid Phonics and Rapid Reading. Designed to work alongside our Teaching Guides to support struggling pupils to catch up in reading and phonics.



Assessment Pathway

Progress and Assess Reading is your robust toolkit for tracking children's attainment and progress in reading, including a set of child-friendly tests matched to book bands so you can assess each child at the level that's right for them, helping build their confidence.





Introducing the Phonics Pathway

Bug Club Phonics is one of the DfE's approved systematic synthetic phonics (SSP) teaching programmes.



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Bug Club Phonics is proven to work

- It is written by the authors of the Clackmannanshire study, which proved SSP to be the most effective way to teach children to read.
- It was analysed as part of the Bug Club UCL Institute of Education (IOE) randomised control trial which showed pupils were on average 11 months ahead of their expected age equivalent reading score after 5 terms of use.*
- The Clackmannanshire Study shows Bug Club Phonics, as an SSP, to be very effective for the lowest attaining 20%.

How will Bug Club Phonics support you?

- **Whole-class teaching** – the programme fosters a real sense of social inclusion for pupils and boosts the performance of those who may otherwise be progressing more slowly. This whole-class teaching approach is also ideal for schools with limited classroom support – there is no need to rearrange your timetable or use teaching assistants to deliver sessions.
- **Intervention** – provides inbuilt formative and summative assessment. Includes guidance on how to implement regular and rapid intervention that will help children keep up with the class.
- **Flexibility** – Bug Club Phonics offers a mix of print and digital resources, and ensures you have the flexibility to teach it in the right way for your pupils.



Assessment is built-in, including alien words to help prepare pupils for the Year 1 Phonics Check.

* Results after 18 months from an independent study carried out by leading academics from UCL Institute of Education (IOE), in partnership with the Pearson UK Research Team. Research findings on progress are based on pupils being ahead of the control group.



Bug Club Phonics Progression Chart

In this chart we show the order in which we teach the GPCs and tricky words. This progression, and the method, follows what the Clackmannanshire Study has shown to be effective in rapidly developing independent reading skills in children.



Pre Reception				
Phase (not used)	GPCs	Common Irregular Words	Tricky Words	New Words
Phase 1	oa	oa	the, to, from, of, and, a, the, to, from, of, and, a	the, to, from, of, and, a
Reception				
Phase (not used)	GPCs	Common Irregular Words	Tricky Words	New Words
Phase 2 (Units 1 & 2)	ai, ea, ie, oi, ee, oo, ou, ow, oy, oi, oo, ou, ow, oy	oa	the, to, from, of, and, a, the, to, from, of, and, a	the, to, from, of, and, a
Phase 2 (Unit 3)	ig, or, o, o, ck	to	the, to, from, of, and, a, the, to, from, of, and, a	the, to, from, of, and, a
Phase 2 (Unit 4)	ai, oi, ie, oi, u, i, t	the, no, go	the, to, from, of, and, a, the, to, from, of, and, a	the, to, from, of, and, a
Phase 2 (Unit 5)	ai, oi, ie, oi, u, i, t		the, to, from, of, and, a, the, to, from, of, and, a	the, to, from, of, and, a

- **Training** – our professional development courses ensure your staff have a strong understanding of how to use the programme to get the best results.
- **Love of reading** – the programme will get your children reading real books after only two weeks, leaving them feeling confident and empowered from the very start of their reading journey.
- **Developing fluency** – Bug Club Phonics has a breadth of fully decodable reading books covering Grapheme Phoneme Correspondence (GPCs) from Phase 2 to Phase 5, encouraging children to develop their fluency at school and at home.





eBook Library Pathway

The Bug Club eBook Library offers everything you need to teach reading skills alongside and beyond phonics. From independent reading through to texts to share and books to read for pleasure, we've got you covered!

Bug Club Independent Reception and Year 1 books within the eBook Library Pathway are fully decodable and matched to the Bug Club Phonics progression. This means you can offer your children even more opportunity to practise as they learn to read when investing in these Pathways together!

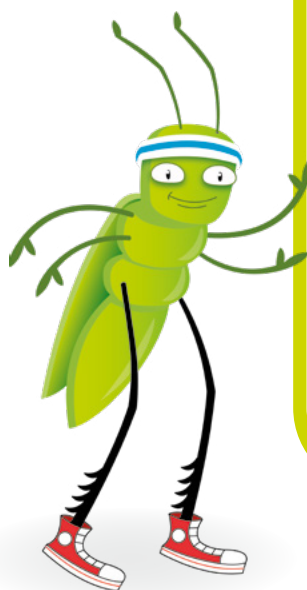
Bug Club Shared Reading

brings your pupils together for story time to inspire a love of reading. Designed to help address the early language gap, these beautifully illustrated books introduce children to rich and challenging words from other subject areas enabling them to make cross-curricular links in their learning.





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Bug Club
Independent
Reception and
Year 1 books within
the eBook Library
Pathway are fully
decodable and
matched to the
Bug Club Phonics
progression.



Bug Club Independent includes a wide range of beautiful and inclusive books to encourage children to read independently, build their fluency and comprehension, and ignite a love of reading.

Bug Club Reading Corner is your diverse, mobile-friendly reading for pleasure library. No need to allocate, let your children select the books that they find interesting and enjoy the many exciting topics there are to choose from.

Bug Club Guided has a clearly defined teaching cycle that works to deepen comprehension and master fluency.

eBook Library Pathway

We believe that children learning to enjoy books and reading is just as important as learning to read. That's why we make diverse, engaging books that children will want to read.



Disney

Exciting and popular characters

Bug Club is packed full of engaging books, including a wide selection of books based on popular film and TV characters to encourage even the most reluctant readers. Our collection of books:

- includes Disney titles designed to support children with dyslexia, with a specially created font and text on pastel-coloured backgrounds, based on films such as Disney Moana, Disney Encanto and many more.
- includes CBeebies and CBBC titles so children can go on adventures with the Go Jetters, Sarah and Duck, Andy Day and Doctor Who.

Leading the way with diversity and inclusion

Bug Club is full of characters that live in all sorts of places and go on all sorts of adventures. As well as popular TV and film characters, we have a wide range of original Bug Club characters created by a diverse range of authors and illustrators, bringing reading to life and allowing all children to see themselves represented as they learn to read.



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The characters are diverse, there is a range of topics to pique interest and the illustrations are different across the range which I think will help keep children engaged.



Natalie Jamieson,
Assistant Headteacher and
English Lead at Marion
Richardson Primary School

A spotlight on Bug Club Reading Corner

The Reading Framework states that:

Pupils must be offered a feast of books: easy reads, books about how things work, graphic novels, joke books, irreverent books, books about animals – anything that might hook them into reading...

Bug Club Reading Corner has been designed to do just this – it works to motivate and encourage reading for pleasure. You'll find stories created by a diverse range of authors and illustrators, covering an array of exciting topics that your children can search for and choose to read, according to their own interests. From books about dinosaurs and dragons to farm animals and football – every child will find books they love in Bug Club Reading Corner!

- Mobile-friendly
- Accessible at home and in school
- Reception and KS1 eBooks include Read-to-Me audio.

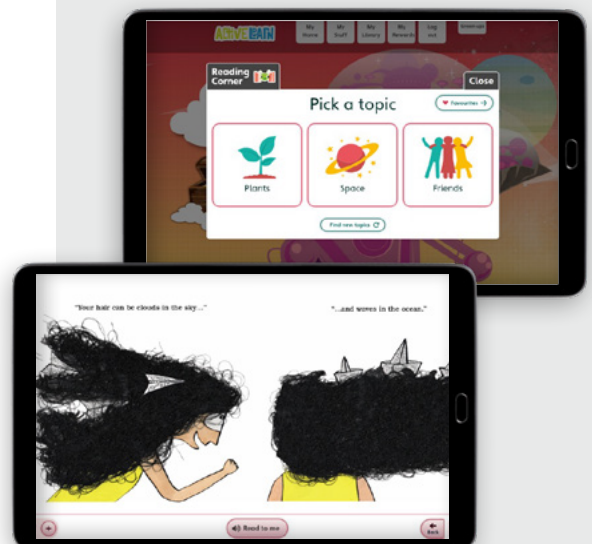
Professional Development included

Included within Bug Club Reading Corner is comprehensive Reading for Pleasure professional development, created in collaboration with the Open University and Teresa Cremin, the leading voice on reading for pleasure in the UK. It is designed to be delivered to your staff in staff meetings or training days.

Further professional development is also included in Bug Club Shared. You'll find a series of free Principles and Pedagogy support videos as part of the online subscription.

I find them magical.

Edward, Year 2 pupil at Bromstone Primary School



Intervention Pathway

Our Intervention Pathway is the cost-effective way to buy our popular Rapid Reading and Rapid Phonics resources together or separately. They are ideal for older children who have fallen behind to help them catch up with their peers. The resources are used to boost confidence, spark their interest in reading, and fill any gaps in phonics knowledge.



How will this Pathway support you?

Rapid Phonics

56 decodable fiction and non-fiction books to help children catch up with decoding and spelling in school and at home.

Rapid Reading

Hundreds of fiction and non-fiction texts and eBooks with a variety of engaging topics, to hook in even the most reluctant readers.

Rapid Phonics helps children catch up fast in phonics. The books supplement the Rapid Phonics snappy lesson plans which support teachers and teaching assistants to address any gaps in children's phonics learning. Rapid Phonics is ideal for children from Year 2 upwards who have not yet mastered phonics, as well as those with longer term needs.

When used alongside the easy-to-follow Rapid Reading lesson plans, Rapid Reading has been proven to help struggling readers in Key Stage 2 to double their rate of progress. Some individuals have even quadrupled their progress with Rapid!

Rapid Reading increases children's confidence in word reading, comprehension and fluency.



Assessment Pathway

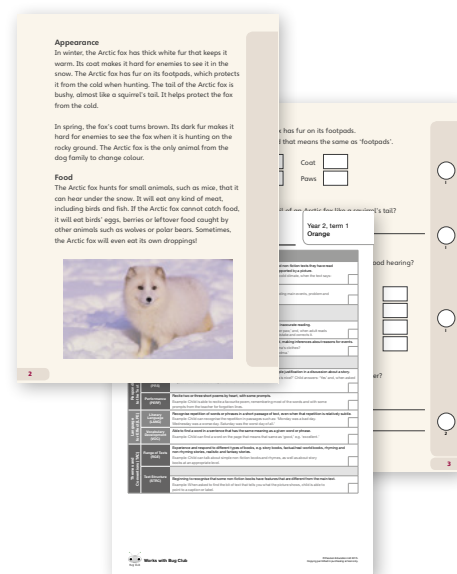


Our Assessment Pathway allows you to track your pupils' attainment and progress in their reading.

This Pathway consists of our Progress and Assess Reading resources – a robust toolkit that works perfectly with Bug Club, Bug Club Phonics and Rapid.

It's matched to book bands allowing teachers to assess each child at the right level for them, so they can experience success and grow their confidence. The results of these provide meaningful information that can allow you to change your teaching if needed. No 'tests for testing's sake' here!

With the Assessment Pathway, you can access electronic versions of all the tests and the Assessment Guidance, the Progression Map for reading, as well as the tracking and reporting tool within your online subscription.



Subscription options for the Primary Literacy Reading Pathways

Essential package for just the Phonics Pathway

- Your whole-class planning and teaching resources for phonics for Reception and Year 1.
- Our Phonics eBook Library of 180 fully decodable books.

Essential package for just the Assessment Pathway

- Progress and Assess Reading, containing reading tests and tracking.

Essential package for just the eBook Library Pathway

- KS1 eBook Library comprising of Bug Club Independent eBooks, Bug Club Guided eBooks, Bug Club Shared eBooks and Reading Corner.
- KS2 eBook Library, comprising of Bug Club Independent eBooks, Bug Club Guided eBooks and Reading Corner.
- Planning guidance.

Essential package for just the Intervention Pathway

- Rapid Reading and Rapid Phonics.

Premium package = the best value, you get all four Pathways!

Discover the Primary Literacy Reading Pathways here:
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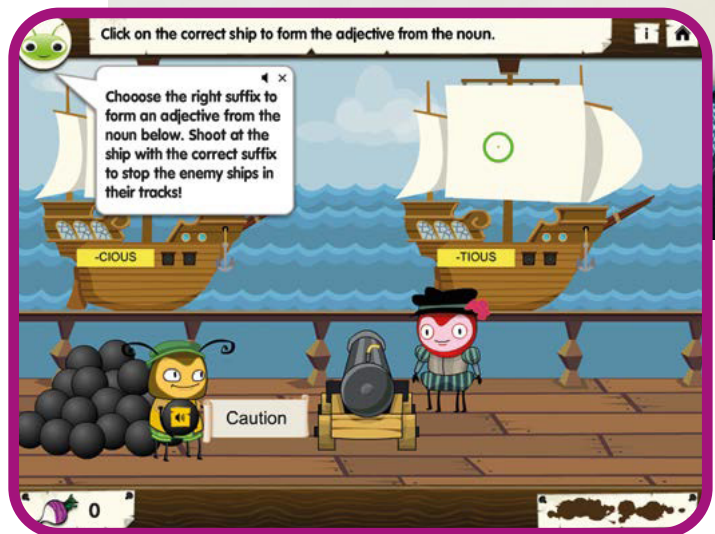
Grammar and Spelling Bug: building grammar, spelling and punctuation

Grammar and Spelling Bug gives you all the tools you need to deliver the grammar and spelling requirements of the primary literacy curriculum.

What can Grammar and Spelling Bug help my school achieve?

- A **clear understanding** of what your children know and what needs extra work through the quick-fire diagnostic checks available for each objective.
- **Confident teaching** – videos explain each concept clearly so teachers can be confident they're getting it right.
- **Embedded learning and engaged pupils** – boring worksheets are replaced with fun time-travel themed games and Bug Club characters.
- **Instant feedback** on games helps rectify misconceptions and develop understanding.
- **Get on track** for SATs with ready-made summative assessments.

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The perfect follow-on from Bug Club Phonics in Year 2.



Find out more about Grammar and Spelling Bug at pearsonprimary.co.uk/spag



Professional Development



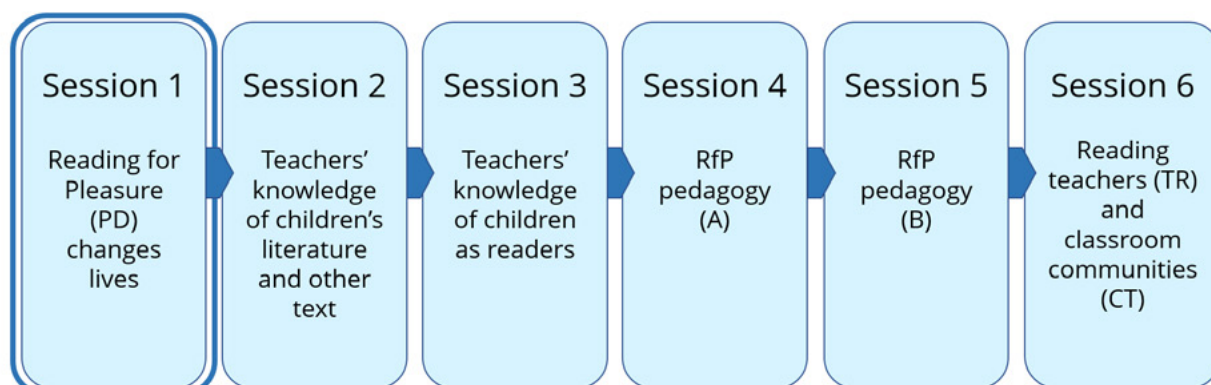
Our network of expert trainers offer PD on Bug Club, Bug Club Phonics and Rapid delivered either face-to-face in your school or online. We also have a variety of PD included for free in our subscriptions, including Reading for Pleasure PD developed with Teresa Cremin and the Open University and Bug Club Shared PD developed with Mary Myatt.

Excellent training which enabled all staff to implement the scheme very easily.

Rachael Sligo at Pegswood Primary School



Reading for Pleasure



Structure of our Reading for Pleasure PD.

Explore our literacy PD courses at
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ActiveLearn Primary: where all your resources are in one place

The digital resources for all the Literacy Pathways are hosted on our fun, online world – ActiveLearn Primary.



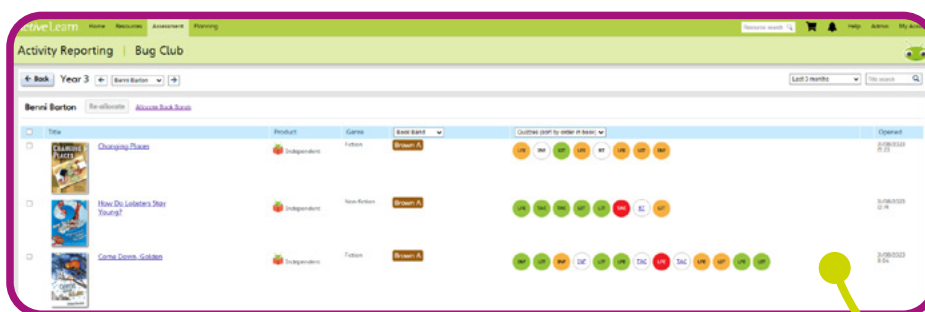
For teachers, it's the go-to place to find all your planning and resources, and to track pupil progress.

For children, it's a fun pupil world they can access in school and at home to find all the books, games and activities allocated by their teachers, as well as to find books to read for fun. They even earn rewards for their efforts and can spend these in the virtual pupil rewards area.

Within the platform, teachers can:

- search for and allocate resources (eBooks and activities) to classes, groups of children or individual children
- view eBooks and the quiz questions embedded within them
- find planning guidance and resources for whole-class and group teaching
- use the Activity Reporting area to see at a glance how each child performs on the embedded activities, whether they enjoyed their reading, and get insights into their progress
- find assessment resources, marking guidance and assessment trackers to monitor pupil progress.

Activity Reporting areas



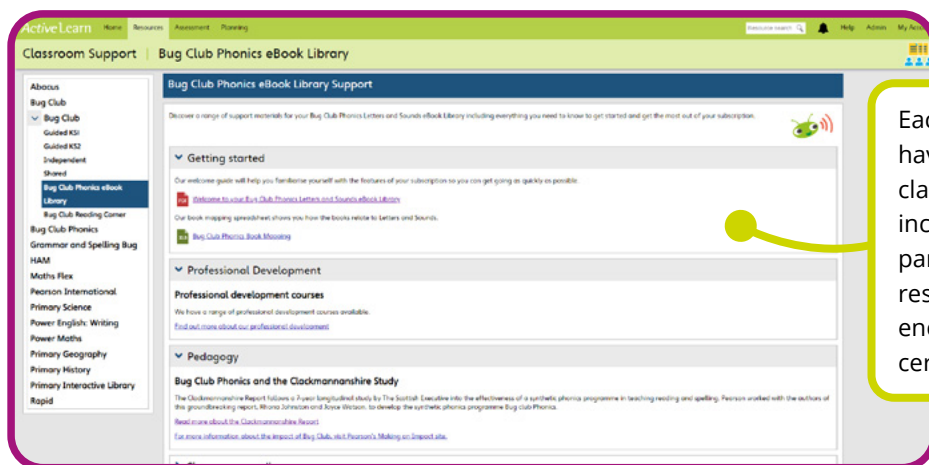
Activity Reporting area allows you to see how each child is doing.

An online world that children love



The online reading world is a virtual book bag for every child that can be accessed at home, and at school.

Classroom Support areas



Each of our literacy resources have their own dedicated classroom support areas; these include sections on pedagogy, parental engagement and resources to motivate and encourage your children, like certificates and printable stickers.

Access resources for all subjects on ActiveLearn Primary

In addition to our literacy resources, we also have a range of maths, science, writing, history and geography resources available within the platform!

Try your chosen resources for free on ActiveLearn Primary at pearsonprimary.co.uk/activelearnprimary

A wealth of further primary resources for you to discover...

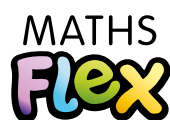
From maths to science, history to geography, as well as further literacy and English resources – we have a wide range of primary resources for you to explore.

Primary Maths

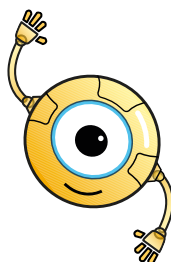
Our primary maths portfolio includes our unique selection of market-leading products, designed to spark curiosity, nurture confidence and inspire a genuine love for maths.



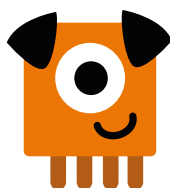
Power Maths: our whole-school mastery programme for Reception to Year 6, created in partnership with White Rose Maths.



Maths Flex: our next-generation intelligent maths practice for KS2 that uses instant adaptive learning through powerful software for same-day intervention.



School Jam: Reception and KS1 practice featuring fun, easy-to-use maths activities to engage parents with their children's learning and help children to make better progress in class.



Discover our additional literacy resources!



Help your children grow as writers with Power English Writing, the creative writing scheme to help your children grow their skills and write for pleasure. Explore now at: pearsonprimary.co.uk/powerenglish



WORDSMITH

Our Wordsmith resource is a fully-integrated programme for reading comprehension, speaking and listening, grammar and writing, designed to ensure progress for every child. Explore now at: pearsonprimary.co.uk/wordsmith

Make big savings buying these resources together as part of our maths mastery bundle.

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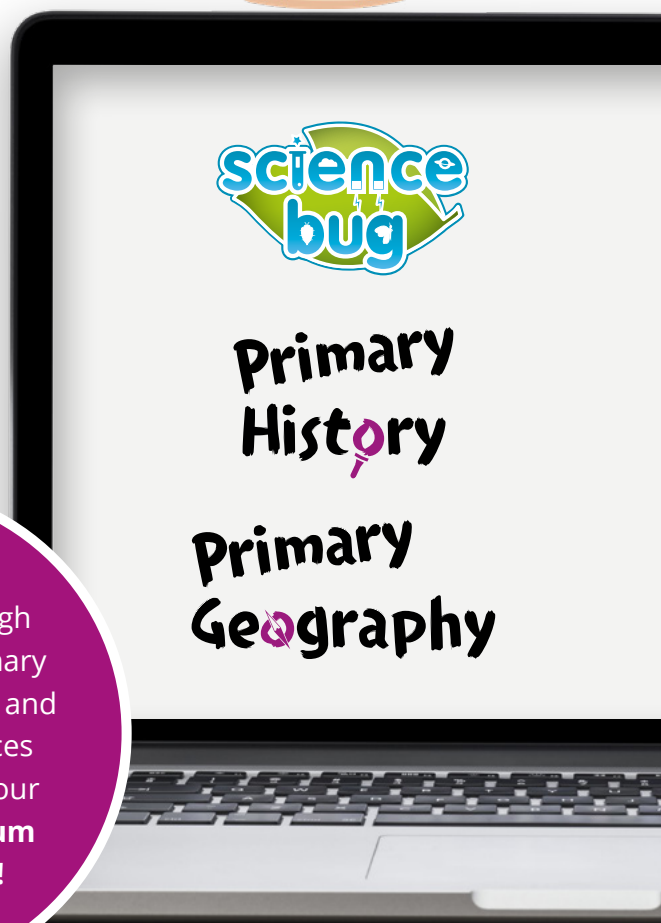
Science Bug

Science Bug is a hands-on science programme written by an expert author team to help you spark imagination, fuel curiosity and nurture inspired and confident young scientists.



Primary History & Geography

Pearson Primary History and Geography is a tried-and-tested curriculum resource built with Reach Academy Feltham, Jon Hutchinson (Director of Training and Development at the Reach Foundation) and Emily Maule (Director of Humanities and Social Sciences at Reach Academy Feltham).



You can also make savings through buying both the Primary History & Geography, and Science Bug resources together, as part of our **Extended Curriculum Digital Packages!**



Have you heard of our Primary Interactive Library?

We know that keeping children's attention is more difficult than ever before. That's why our Primary Interactive Library for Reception to Year 6 is home to over **5,000 fun, high-quality interactives and resources** for you to use with your pupils, more than any other interactive content provider.

Explore now at: pearsonprimary.co.uk/primaryinteractivelibrary

Find out more at:
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Save up to 50% on print and resources packs

We have compiled packs of reading books and resources to suit your school and budget. The more you buy, the more you can save with these easy-to-buy packs that have everything you need to stock your classroom library.

Find out more about our print packs and the discounts we can offer you.

Bug Club complete packs of reading books

Our Bug Club complete packs consist of single or multiple printed copies of all the eBooks in our KS1/KS2 eBook Library (depending on which pack you choose).

Bug Club Phonics complete packs of reading books

We have a selection of print packs which exactly match the eBooks included in your online Bug Club Phonics subscription.

Premium print packs

Our premium print packs are a great way to get even better discounts on even more resources and contain every Bug Club, Bug Club Phonics and Rapid book.



Explore our Bug Club discounts at
pearsonprimary.co.uk/bugclubdiscounts

How we support you



Talk to your local consultant

We're here to help you make the right decisions for your school. If you would like to find out more about our Primary Literacy Reading Pathways, please fill out a short form and we'll get in touch with you to find the right solution for your school.

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Bug Club Literacy Community

Join our Facebook group to benefit from practical ideas and inspiration and to chat with like-minded teachers.

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