

FREE ONLINE RESOURCES RELATING TO BOOKS/AUTHORS

Author Events and Resources online

Authors and illustrators are responding to the Coronavirus outbreak by creating loads of resources that children, teachers and families can access from home. These include videos, live broadcasts and printables. Here you will find a timetable of LIVE events on Instagram that you can tune into as well as links to LOADS of FREE activities you can download and print to use at home. Keep checking back for updates!

#FreeBookResources

A group of authors, illustrators and comics people are coming together to post things here for people stuck at home looking for things to do! By using the hashtag all the material is in one place and if you click on 'latest' rather than 'top' you will see the new posts as they are tweeted.

AUTHORS

Most authors and illustrators have their own websites with lots of news, reviews, games activities and links to explore. Children could put the name of their favourite author into a search engine to see if a site will come up e.g.

- [**Bloomsbury's Harry Potter site**](#)
- [**Roald Dahl: Create and Learn**](#)
- **Sarah McIntyre**
Has free drawing and craft-based resources for all her picture books on her website. (Just click on each book's cover to discover activities themed on that book
<http://www.jabberworks.co.uk/books/>
- [**Wimpy Kid Club**](#)
Play games, enter competitions, watch awesome trailers, learn how to draw cartoons, download quizzes, puzzling crosswords and loads of other cool stuff!
- [**World of David Walliams School Zone**](#)

PUBLISHERS & OTHER LITERARY ORGANISATIONS

- [**Authorfy Masterclasses**](#)
- [**CLPE Poetryline**](#)
This site holds an extensive bank of poems for children and [teaching resources](#), videos of [poet performances](#) and [interviews](#) to support the teaching of poetry
- [**CLPE Power of Pictures**](#)
Helps primary school teachers to develop their understanding of the craft of picture book creation and illustration as a way of raising children's reading and writing. Enjoy using the

specially developed free teaching resources for all age groups as well as short videos from children's illustrators

- [**Hachette Schools**](#)

Here you can discover a wealth of free resources for new and well-loved books,

- [**Literacy Shed**](#)

Home to a wealth of short films and animations and related teaching ideas.

- [**Love My Books**](#) (age 0-9)

Brilliant books with creative reading activities specially designed to engage and excite young children's interest. Just click on a topic or age group, then click on a book to discover the activities.

- [**The Reading Realm**](#) (also a free app)

Will be producing some free resources and home learning packs over the next few weeks for anyone affected by the Coronavirus. This is the first one and inside you will find short extracts from classic texts linked to nature and animals to read, enjoy and interpret; editing and correcting spelling and grammar activities; activities linked to vocabulary; synonyms and antonyms; drawing and illustrations tasks and challenges and colouring in. Please feel free to download, share and use!

- [**Scholastic Learn From home**](#)

Every day there are four separate learning experiences, each built around a thrilling, meaningful story or video. Kids can do them on their own, with their families, or with their teachers. Just find your grade level and let the learning begin!

- [**World Book Day Resources**](#)

FREE RESEARCH SITES

- [**DK Findout**](#)

Produced by the award - winning children's publisher Dorling Kindersley this free online encyclopaedia pulls together the very best of DK's amazing images and content across a wide range of subjects with particular focus on Key Stage 2.

- [**News Library from Newspapers for Schools**](#)

This is a one-stop-shop for researching over 150 leading UK national and regional newspapers dating from 2006 to the present day. Teachers log on individually

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