



Bug Club

Love reading



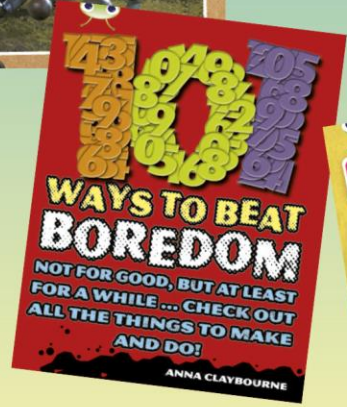
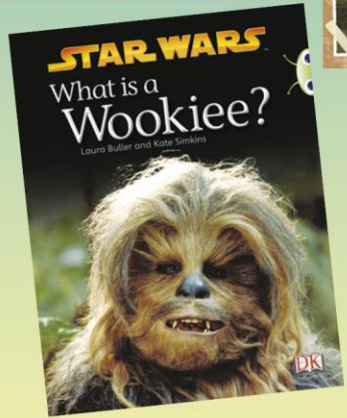
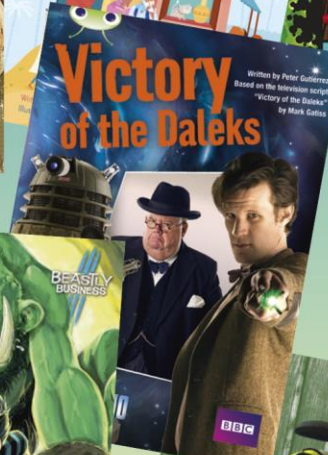
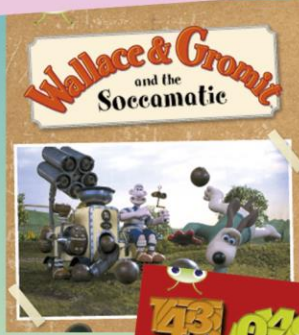
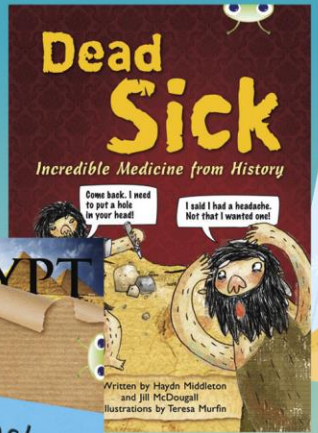
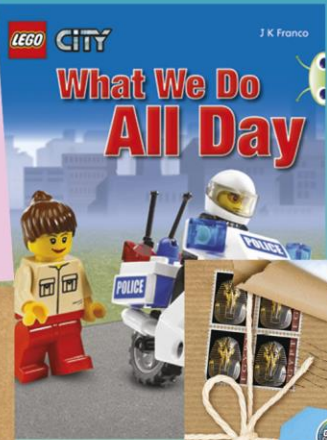
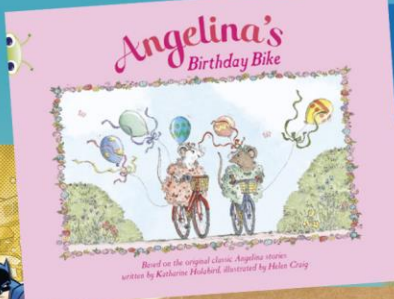
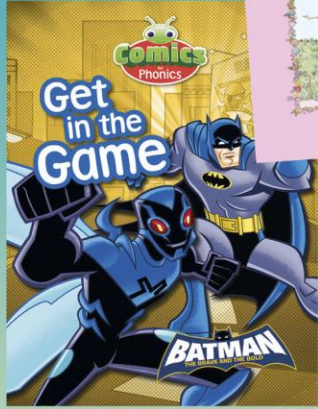
**Our new school reading programme
that joins books with eBooks**



What is Bug Club?

- A reading programme that the school will use to help teach your child to read
- It has carefully graded reading books and eBooks
- Your child can take home the books as well as accessing eBooks via a personalised website

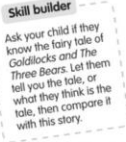
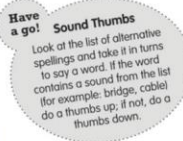
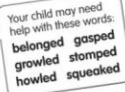
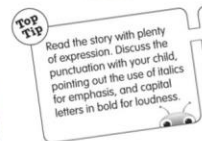
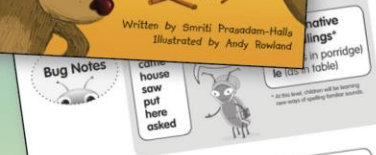
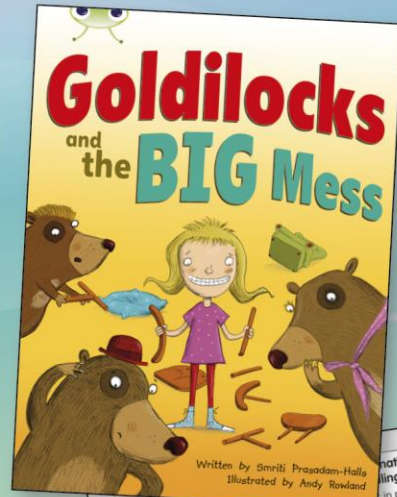




Using the printed books

Notes for parents on the inside front covers

- Practise high-frequency words and sounds that appear in the book with your child
- Don't worry if your child struggles on the tricky words
- You can use the games and questions for discussion with your child



Written by Smriti Prasadam-Halls
Illustrated by Andy Rowland
For Tom - S.P.H.

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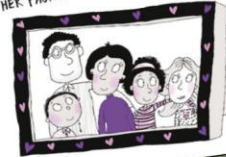
Children's activities on inside back covers

- Play the games to encourage your child to read back through the book
- There are ideas for making things and drawing things



the guide."
Tara looked confused.
"I'll show you later," I said. "It's not quite finished yet."
I would show her, but right now Mum had the frying pan out and my stomach was telling me that it had missed breakfast. One fried egg sandwich later, I went upstairs to add my final tip to my guide before showing it to Tara.

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Share it!

Freaky pictures!

Look at the illustrations in the book. Many of these are funny drawings of Lily's thoughts during a day with her family, e.g. Mum's eyes bulging like a tree frog, or the fireworks of anger fizzing around Tara.

Write about a day when lots of things happened to you and your family or friends. Add drawings to show how you were feeling or what you were thinking at the time. Make your drawings as weird, funny or as freaky as you like, and then share them with someone who was there on the day. Do they recognise some of the events in your story?



Want to know more?

How many other books can you find that include a diary written by one of the characters?

Why are we using eBooks?

- Your child can enjoy reading books on screen and completing fun quiz questions found in the eBooks
- The quiz questions will help the children practise their reading skills
- The Foundation and KS1 eBooks are also audio-books, so children can enjoy hearing an expressive reading of the story



When can children use the eBooks?



- If you have access to an internet connection at home, your child can log on whenever they want to, from home
- If you don't have internet access, we will be making computers available throughout the school day



Using the eBooks

- We are providing each child with their own login details to the Active Learn Platform which hosts Bug Club. They can read their eBooks here



Each child's login details will be different.

Example login details

Username:

Password:

School ID:



www.activelearnprimary.co.uk

A child's homepage

- Your child will see their eBooks in "My Stuff"
- We will allocate eBooks according to your child's reading level
- Your child can have multiple eBooks in My Stuff at any one time

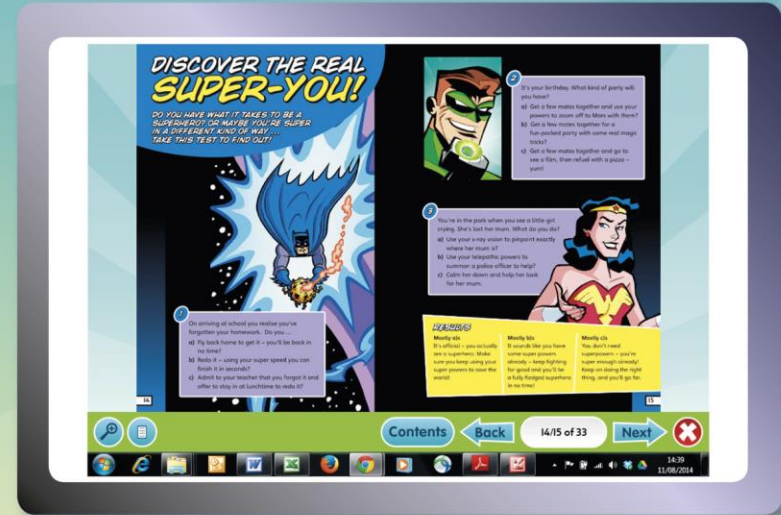


Children in KS1 and KS2 can choose their homepage from a range of worlds



Reading an eBook

- Click on the book's cover & see how many quiz questions there are
- Read the book and click on the bug icons to open the quiz questions
- Your child does not need to finish all of the quiz questions in one sitting, they can come back to any of their books later



Phonics Bug eBooks

- Phonics Bug eBooks contain a guide which will help you to help your child with new sounds
- Phonics Bug eBooks also have one quiz question that focuses on word-skills

The screenshot shows a page from a Phonics Bug eBook. On the left, there are three sections: '1 Say the sounds' with a grid of letters 'g o c k' and a green alien character; '2 Blend the sounds' with a grid of words 'Kit cot not' and 'cat got kip'; and '3 Read the tricky words' with the word 'to' and a cartoon boy. On the right, there is a 'Story comprehension' section, a 'Vocabulary check' section, and a 'Reading the story' section with instructions. The right side of the page features the title 'Kit's Kip' in green, a cartoon illustration of a white cat with stripes jumping, and the text 'Written by Nicola Sandford' and 'Illustrated by Jess Mikhail'.



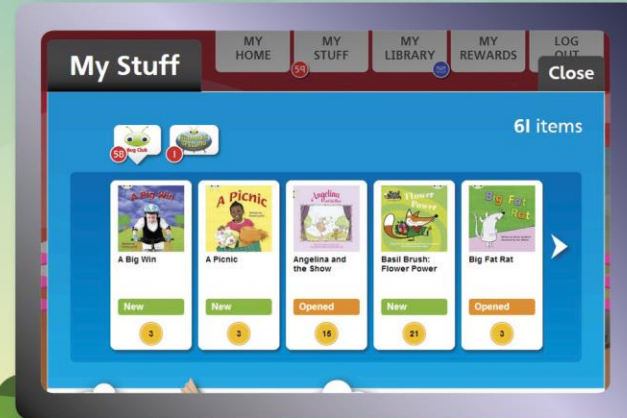
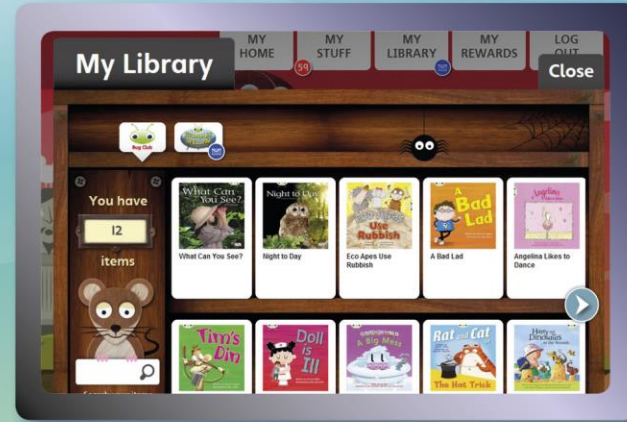
Rewards

- When your child has finished all of the quiz questions in an eBook, they will gain some coins
- When they have read a few eBooks, they will have enough coins to gain a reward
- They can spend their coins in one of the multiple activelearn reward worlds on games, items for their treehouse etc.



My Library

- When your child has finished an eBook, the eBook will move to My Library where they can read it again, if they want to
- They can choose a new eBook from 'My Stuff'



Getting the most out of the eBooks

- Encourage your child to attempt all quizzes
- Your child's teacher can track their progress and help them with types of quiz questions they struggle with
- Allow your child to read a favourite eBook again to build their confidence and stamina



Challenges around reading

Effects of parents and schools

'Researchers have shown that, once social and economic factors are removed parental engagement is a more significant impact on attainment than almost everything else'.

The younger a child is, the stronger the impact. At age 5 it is some 5 x the impact of school. At 11 it is about the same strength as school.

Source: Sacker, Amanda et al (2002) 'Social inequality in educational achievement and psychological adjustment throughout childhood: magnitude and mechanisms' Social Studies and Medicine, 55, 863-880

Any questions?

