

World Book Day

World Book Day is a special day to celebrate books and reading! World Book Day takes place every year. It is held on the first Thursday in March in the UK.



One of the aims of the day is to help all children to have their own books.

Book tokens are given in schools. Children can buy £1 books from bookshops with the tokens.

Children and teachers often dress up as their favourite book characters.

Who Will You Dress Up As?



Little Red Riding Hood



The Gingerbread Man



Cinderella



Peter Pan

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Questions

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- food
- books and reading
- animals

2. When does World Book Day take place? Tick one.

- the first day of June
- the first Monday in May
- the first Thursday in March

3. What are children given on World Book Day? Tick one.

- a book
- a book token
- a toy

4. What do children and teachers sometimes dress up as on World Book Day? Tick one.

- book characters
- toys
- pirates

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What Is World Book Day?

World Book Day is a special day to celebrate books, authors and reading! World Book Day happens every year. It is held on the first Thursday in March in the UK.

How Is World Book Day Celebrated?

Children and teachers in many schools dress up as their favourite book character such as Little Red Riding Hood, Cinderella or Peter Pan.

Who is your favourite book character?

Have you ever dressed up as your favourite character?

There are also lots of different events held across the country and online to mark the day. It is a great time to talk about the books we love.



Book tokens worth £1 are given to children in the UK to use in bookshops. Children can swap their tokens for one of 12 books that are specially written for World Book Day. The token can also be used to get £1 off another book.

Did You Know...?

World Book Day began in 1995 to celebrate books and reading across the world. The day is now held in over 100 countries all over the world.



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- numbers and maths
- books, authors and reading
- dressing up

2. Draw **three** lines and complete each sentence.

Children and teachers in
many schools...

are held across the
country.

Book tokens worth £1...

dress up as their
favourite book character.

Different events...

are given to children in
the UK.

3. **Children and teachers in many schools dress up as their favourite book character...**

What does the word **character** mean? Tick one.

- a place in a book
- a person or animal in a book
- the person who writes a book

4. Find and copy one word that shows that the 12 books you can buy are written **only** for World Book Day.

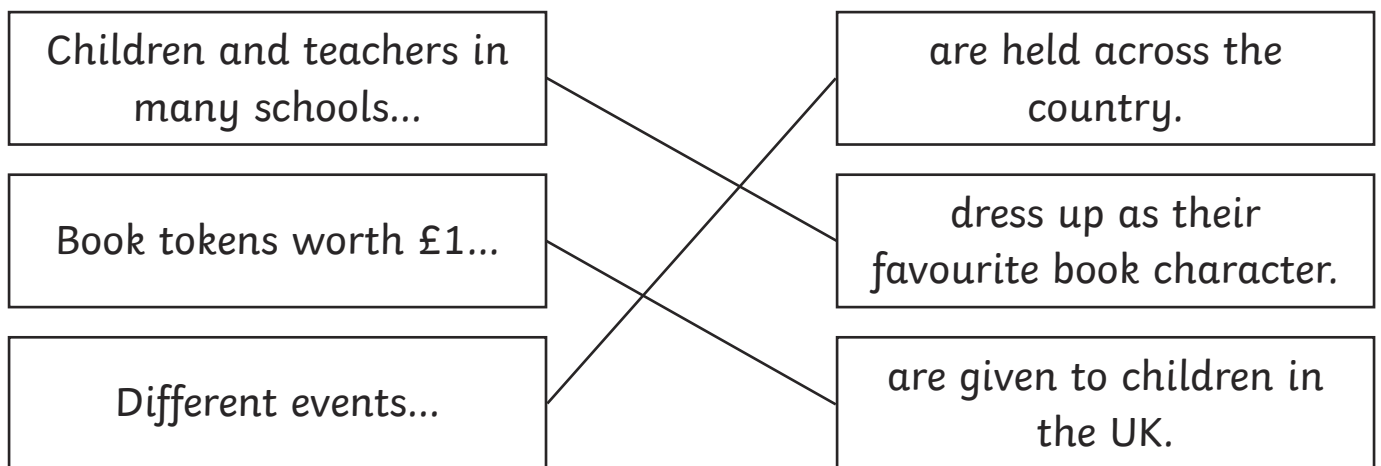
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World Book Day is a special day to celebrate books, authors, illustrators and reading. In the UK, it is held every year on the first Thursday in March so the date is often different.



How Is World Book Day Celebrated?

In schools, children and teachers sometimes dress up as their favourite book character. Have you ever dressed up as a book character? There are many fantastic events held across the country and online to mark this day and celebrate reading. In the past, famous authors such as Jacqueline Wilson and David Walliams have taken part in World Book Day events.

Brilliant World Book Day Tokens

Book tokens worth £1 are given to children in the UK to use in bookshops. Children can swap their tokens for one of 12 books that are specially written for World Book Day. Some of these books are even written by great authors such as Tom Gates and Julia Donaldson. Children can also use the token to get £1 off another book if they prefer.



Who Celebrates World Book Day?

Anyone who loves books can take part in World Book Day. World Book Day is celebrated in over 100 countries all over the world. World Book Day is celebrated in some countries on the 23rd April instead of in March.

Why Is World Book Day Important?

World Book Day is a day to help people remember how important reading is. Reading is an important skill that people use throughout their lives. It can also be an important day to help to raise money for charity.



Did You Know...?

World Book Day began in April 1995. It was started by a group called UNESCO. They are a group that helps to give everyone around the world the chance to learn.

Questions

1. What does World Book Day celebrate? Tick **two**.

- books
- authors
- food

2. Draw **three** lines and complete each sentence.

Children and teachers...

take part in World Book Day events.

Book tokens worth £1...

sometimes dress up as their favourite book characters.

Famous authors...

are given to children in the UK to use in bookshops.

3. Find and copy one word that shows that the events held to mark World Book Day are really good.

4. Fill in the missing word.

World Book Day is a _____ day to celebrate books, authors, illustrators and reading.

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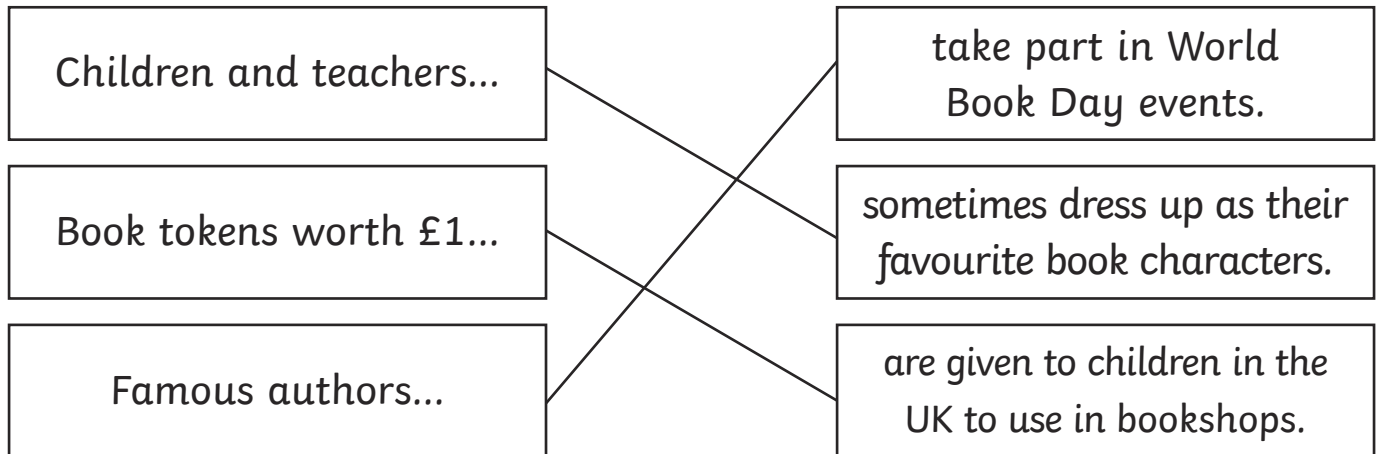
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6. Who would you like to dress up as for World Book Day? Explain why.

Pupils' own responses, such as: I would like to dress up as Little Red Riding Hood for World Book Day because that is my favourite story.