

READING SERIES

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ABORIGINAL AUSTRALIAN READING

Three titles. The Milky Way; Outback Holiday; and The Turkey and the Emu. An audiotape accompanies each set of books.

ADVENTURES OF TINTIN

Exciting stories in a comic book style format to appeal to reluctant readers.

THE ALPHABET SERIES

26 small books, one for each letter of the alphabet, plus a big book, teacher's notes and a set of alphabet cards. Each book is filled with bright, engaging photographs of items beginning with the letter the book represents and is titled with a child's name starting with that letter. The letter represented appears in very large print in both upper and lower case on the top of each page and the whole alphabet is written across the bottom. An excellent series for developing familiarity with the alphabet.

ANIMAL INFORMATION SERIES

Kaufman, E.

Lots of information and full colour photographs in these little books for junior primary.

ASTERIX ADVENTURES

Gosciny

Hilarious readers in comic style. Generally upper primary/lower secondary appeal.

AUSTRALIAN ANIMAL SERIES

Sloan/Latham

Books to bridge the gap between natural spoken language and the language of books. High interest-low vocabulary. A set of activities accompanies the shared reader pack. Junior Primary.

BANGERS & MASH

Groves, P

A hilarious graded phonic series for use as a supplementary reader. Note made in each book of the phonic elements used. Excellent revision and consolidation texts.

THE BOOK BANK 1, 2, 3

O.U.P.

Three collections designed for children in their first years of school. Each collection has 30 books plus teacher's guide and includes fiction and non fiction, rhyme and prose in a variety of text types, form types and genres, writing and illustrative styles. Collection 2 is designed to complement and supplement collection 1, while collection 3 builds on the reading behaviours of the first two collections and presents more challenges in concept, language structure and amount of inferential reading required.

THE BOOK PROJECT

A selection of fiction for five to eight year olds. The books provide illustrated stories that will capture the interest of beginning and emergent readers, presented in a range of simple, structured narrative texts

BOOKSHELF

An innovative language program that takes into account the most recent developments in the teaching of literacy. Stages 1-4 containing a set of small books, teachers book, audio tapes and big books. Also available is a booklet entitled: PARALLELS BETWEEN BOOKSHELF AND THE K-7 ENGLISH LANGUAGE SYLLABUS, and PLANNING YOUR LITERACY PROGRAM: TEN UNITS OF WORK FROM BOOKSHELF

EXPRESSWAYS

Supplementary readers which can be used to focus discussion and develop vocabulary and facility with oral language. Levels 1-3 for early readers, level 4 for more advanced readers.

FALCON COMICS

Designed in comic format for severely weak high school readers. Various authors. Reading level 8-9 years of age - interest level 10-16 years of age.

FEARON BOOKS

This collection includes a range of books to appeal to secondary age reluctant readers – Fastback Sports, Flashback Disaster, Flashback War, Flashback Horror, Fastback Romance, Spectre and more.

FOOTY KIDS

Each book bears the title of an Eastern States football team and the team's club song is presented at the end of the book. Cartoon style illustrations and limited text will appeal to weak readers.

GO-MAGZ see RADZ-MAGZ

THE HIGHGATE COLLECTION

24 high quality picture books, in a range of genre, aimed at encouraging 7-10 year olds to think feel and act as successful readers and writers. Teacher's guide also included.

INFO-ACTIVE

INFOACTIVE PLUS

This core literacy program is made up of informational texts that involve children in interactive learning and is based on the premise that children learn to read at the same time as they read to learn. It introduces a range of written texts such as explanations, instructions and recounts together with a variety of visual texts such as maps, diagrams, time lines and word webs. Lower primary.

INFO ACTIVE PLUS – TEACHER'S RESOURCE BOOK

Clyne, Margaret. Griffiths, Rachel.

428.6 CLY

This Teachers Book provides detailed information about each InfoActive Plus title and how they can be used to help children develop their non-fiction reading and writing skills and understanding.

INFO ACTIVE – ACTIVITY MASTERS STAGE 2B.

Clyne, Margaret. Griffiths, Rachel

428.407 CLY

INFOTEXTS

An award winning series of 20 books – ten featuring science topics and ten technology. The layout is busy and appealing, and demonstrates many different ways of presenting information to engage and inform readers. The information itself is clear and succinct and enhanced by colour photographs and/or diagrams. A range of interesting topics is covered including: the pros and cons of technological advances; sports technology; theatre technology; natural disasters. Many of the books include activities or suggest challenges or projects to attempt. Upper primary – lower secondary.

KANGAROO CREEK STARTERS

Delightful stories of Australian bush animals. Suitable for junior primary.

KANGAROO CREEK GANG

Delightful stories of Australian bush animals using natural language patterns and story sense. Suitable for years 3 & 4.

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LET ME READ

Small books in hardback format for newly independent readers. There are three levels in the series. Level one books, use simple repetitive words and sentences, level two are more challenging and level three provide longer and more complex stories.

LISTEN & READ

Listening post sets (4 books, audio-cassette) of favourite stories for junior/middle primary.

LIVEWIRE

Sixty high interest low vocabulary reading books for secondary students with reading ages of 6-10 years. The series includes books in four categories: **Real Lives** – biographies of famous and popular figures in the worlds of film, sport and music; **Chillers** – compelling short stories high in tension and full of suspense; **Youth Fiction** – punchy stories about life, love and being young; and **Investigates** – thrilling accounts of extreme sports.

M BOOKS

Hardbound series of contemporary fiction. Excellent resource for literature based reading instruction to supplement your own school library. Years 7-10.

MACDONALD MYSTERIES

Set of 3 books - extension material. Years 3-5.

MACDONALD GHOSTS

Extension readers for middle and upper primary. Good for thematic work.

MONSTER STORIES

Natural language supplementary readers based on topics of interest for the beginning reader. A close relationship of text and picture. Years 1-3.

MUURUUN SERIES

This set of 6 books plus teacher's guide features Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in their every day activities. A big book of one of the titles in the series - 'Let's Rap' - is also available. Beginning readers.

NARKALING

For children with reading difficulties - high interest books, accompanied by audiotapes narrated at slower than normal speed. Titles include:

- 6 books from the "First Flaps First Facts ' animal series (lower).
- 4 books from the "Badudu" series about Aboriginal children (middle/upper).
- Several fiction books for upper levels, eg. BMX Kid; The Surfing Kid; Punk Rocker from Hell; The Bugalugs Bum Thief; Unbelievable (Paul Jennings' short stories).
- 2 Fastback books (Double Exposure; The Caller), high interest horror/spy for upper primary/secondary.
- Unreal Banana Peel!; All Right Vegemite! (off beat chants and rhymes).
- Why the Emu Can't Fly; Barn-Barn Bala the Bush Trickster (Aboriginal stories)

PM READALONGS

Primary supplementary reading, based on natural repetitive language patterns. Years 1-3.

POPCORN

A collection of books designed to introduce children to paperback novels/chapter books - to bridge the gap between beginning readers and more solid chapter books. They are organised into three levels covering lower to middle primary and include a mixture of mystery, adventure and fantasy with lots of humour. The lowest level features Fred Pig, who will be familiar to children who have read the Eureka reading series.

PUMPKIN HOLLOW BOOKS

PUMPKIN HOLLOW BOOKS 2

Each set contains ten books - five narratives, five factual texts – for six to eight year olds, plus Teaching Ideas Book. The factual books each stem from one of the narratives, providing a natural bridge for introducing different text forms and for teaching how to read and use factual books.

RAD MAGZ

GO-MAGZ

"RADical MAGaZine". Radically different books on topics to interest reluctant readers. Reinforcement and consolidation of vocabulary and word patterns is achieved through rhyme and repetition. Includes teacher's ideas book. Interest level approx. 10-14 years; reading levels: Rad-Magz 8-10 years, Go-Magz 7-9 years.

READ IT YOURSELF BOOKS

Text is in large type with few words. Full colour illustrations. Early readers. Years 1-2

READING CORNERS

Simple repetitive texts for early readers.

READING DISCOVERY

Bright, colourful books for emergent readers, providing repetition, rhyme and rhythm and large easy-to-read text. The lowest levels contain simple stories while the higher levels feature high interest science topics and would be useful for older children with reading difficulties. The series is accompanied by a teacher's guide.

READING FRIENDS (Southern Cross Satellites)

Predictable books particularly suited to young beginning readers.

READY TO READ

This series can take its place alongside the best of children's picture books and yet contains graduated challenges to successfully help children to learn to read.

READY, GET SET, GO BOOKS

High interest - low ability readers with stories based on motorbikes, cars, boats and planes.

SAY WHAT YOU LIKE

This series invites young readers to look, laugh and talk about their own feelings and experiences. 4 books in this series. Years 1-3.

SHAGGY DOG TALES

Meets the special needs of lower and middle primary children who find difficulty with reading, through the use of highly predictable language, familiar situations and humour. Also good for extension reading for year 1.

SHOOTING STAR

Additional levels of story books in the "Star" series. Shooting stars are colour coded in the same way as the "Star Books" to indicate their level. Year 3.

SKYWAYS

Ten books of family stories, detective facts and fiction and a fishy tale, to interest 7 year olds.

SMILE

Picture story books intended for use with children aged five to seven who begin school with little or no English. Each book includes two sets of caption cards, enabling the text to be read at three levels of complexity. The series also includes teacher's notes; work sheets; aural discrimination work sheets and audiocassette; a story cassette; and games.

SONG OF THE BUSH

Alphabet book plus ten reading books for very early readers. The stunning, brightly coloured illustrations with simple repetitive text and bush theme will appeal to all young children, but in particular to Aboriginal children.

SOUTHERN CROSS

An Australian language resource. A selection of books from stages 1-3.

SPACE POLICE

Extension readers for middle primary. Set of 6 books based on space adventure.

STAR SERIES

Beginning reading books : levels are indicated by colour. High quality art and presentation. Years 1-3.

STORY BOX/STORY CHEST

Story Box is designed for the first 3 years of primary school, and Story Chest for years 4-7. There are also audiotapes to accompany some of the books in both series. Teacher's resource books are available and there are LEARNING CENTRE ACTIVITY CARDS to support some of the Story Box titles. The Centre also holds STORY BOX PLAY PACKS, stages 2-7, and videos entitled STORY BOX IN THE CLASSROOM and STORY CHEST: A SPRINGBOARD TO LITERATURE.

STORY STARTERS

Six packs in this series, containing : caption cards, copy masters, readers (text and no-text) wall story and notes. Starting points for reading and language. Years 1-2.

STORYTRAILS

Similar format to the "Choose Your Own Adventure" Series - for upper primary children.

SUNSHINE BOOKS

Simple stories, careful grading, appeals to children. Levels 1-7 held. Junior primary. Resource books available to accompany the series include: SUNSHINE IN THE CLASSROOM LEVEL ONE; GETTING STARTED IN WHOLE LANGUAGE; MOVING ON IN WHOLE LANGUAGE; WHOLE LANGUAGE EVALUATION; and WHOLE LANGUAGE EVALUATION FOR THE MIDDLE SCHOOL. There is also a video entitled GUIDED READING USING SUNSHINE NON-FICTION.

SUNSHINE SCIENCE level 1

SUNSHINE SCIENCE level 2

SUNSHINE SCIENCE level 3

Factual information for lower primary. Each level consists of 24 small books covering 8 topics. It includes a teacher's resource book and big books are available for some titles (see shared book section).

SUPA DOOPERS (Blue & Green).

Packed full of adventure, humour, nonsense, fantasy and fun these stories are designed to help children make a successful transition from picture books to novels. They are aimed at 8-11 year olds but would also be useful for older reluctant readers.

**SUPER A
SUPER B**

Two kits for reluctant readers. Each contains sets of 32 page comic book readers featuring high interest action stories starring such characters as Superman, Wonder Woman, Robin Batman etc. There are four titles in each kit plus task cards, activity sheets and a teacher's manual (manual is missing in Super A).

TADPOLE THEME PACKS

Packs contain a big book, small books and audiotape, which relate to four different themes - Families, Animals, Food, School. Years K-3.

TAKE PART STARTERS/TAKE PART

Both sets of plays are excellent for developing early reading and dramatic skills with your class. Integration and follow-up ideas are included. Years 1-7.

TREND/TRENDSSET/APPROACH TREND

High interest low vocabulary stories of excitement and suspense for upper primary/lower secondary.

TREND FICTION SERIES

15 lively and stimulating short novels to encourage reluctant readers to read, and read on. Upper primary/lower secondary.

THUNDER THE DINOSAUR

Ten picture story books (& teacher's guide) about a dinosaur who shares the lives of neighbourhood children. Children helped write these stories. Junior primary.

TWELVE TASKS OF ASTERIX

Stories of the popular comic book character presented for weak readers. Each page has an enlarged illustrations plus one line of text.

YO-YO BOOKS

Stories of the Banks family. Years 1-2 will find it easy to identify with the everyday situations in these stories.

ZAPPER BOOKS

ZAPPER BOOKS SERIES 2

ZAPPER BOOKS SERIES 3

ZAPPER BOOKS SERIES 4

ZAPPER BOOKS SERIES 5 Includes Teacher's Ideas Book.

Designed to appeal to the less able and reluctant readers - compact chapters, supportive illustrations, a variety of genres and genuine stories. A teacher's ideas book accompanies the series. Reading age 8 -10 years, interest level 10-14 years.

ZIPPERS

30 bridging novels (3 levels, with 10 titles at each level) to introduce young readers to "chapter books". They are designed to appeal to 8-9 year olds, with interesting and exciting story lines and short chapters supported by visually engaging illustrations.