

# Welcome to Reading Lab

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*I really enjoyed the lessons and feel that they helped me with my reading and made me feel more confident about returning to school."*



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The **Reading Lab** is a **10-week programme** designed to help your child improve their **reading skills** and **reading comprehension strategies**.

Students invited to take part in Reading Lab will work in a small group with an expert tutor from the Children's Literacy Charity **twice per week for 45 minutes**.



“Making sure that children become engaged with reading is one of the most important ways to make a difference to the life chances of children, whatever their background. For this to happen, children need to learn to read as fluently as possible and to be motivated to continue reading.”

Department for Education – July 21

## Skills

In order to improve reading fluency and access texts with greater ease and understanding, students will learn a set of comprehension skills and strategies. They will expand their **VOCABULARY**, be able to make **INFERENCES**, make sensible **PREDICTIONS**, provide **EXPLANATIONS**, **RETRIEVE** information from a text and **SUMMARISE** to gain an overall impression of a text. We refer to these comprehension skills as **VIPERS** skills.

## Variety of texts

Students attending our Reading Lab will read fiction texts, non-fiction texts, poetry and will also watch short films without words that allow children to create narratives and explore meaning. They will read extracts from some excellent books and will investigate complex themes and ideas. The students will take part in discussions around texts and will learn to formulate and express their opinions. Most importantly, Reading Lab will help students to develop a love of reading.

Please encourage your child to read at home – books, comics, newspapers, magazines, instructions. Be on the lookout for reading, wherever it is and do visit our website for more ideas about reading.

<https://thechildrensliteracycharity.org/reading-for-pleasure/>

