

Decodable, synthetic phonic reading books for older readers.

This series of books is designed to appeal to older pupils who may need continued support with using and applying their phonic knowledge for reading. The books will help to fill in any missing gaps in phonic skills that prevent pupils from making progress and becoming fluent readers.



Key features:

- Age-appropriate illustrations and story lines that engage and encourage the pupil to read on
- Reading practice page which prepares the pupil for reading the text
- Vocabulary page to develop receptive and expressive language
- Multi-syllabic words split on each page
- Reader-friendly layout

Interest Age: 8 to 14
Reading Age: KS1, KS2, KS3

Catch-up Reader range

There are 9 series within the Catch-up Reader range:

- Moon Dog Series
- Magic Belt Series
- That Dog!
- Totem Books
- Alba Series
- Talisman Phonic Reluctant Readers
- Rescue Series
- Titans Gauntlets Series
- Amber Guardians Series



Catch-up Phonic Readers



Moon Dog Series

Designed to appeal to older pupils at the early stages of reading. A contemporary series following the adventures of a group of teenagers in the Moon Dogs Band.



Moon Dogs Series Set 1

SD12225

Total: 8 books

Set 1 introduces sounds gradually and reinforces reading these in CVC words.

Introduces sounds of the alphabet at CVC level:

s a t i m n o p b c g h d e f v k l r u j w z x y f f l l s s z z



Moon Dogs Series Set 2

SD12226

Total: 8 books

Set 2 begins with text at CVC level and continues through with introducing new digraphs.

Introduces adjacent consonants and consonant digraphs
cvc vcc cvcc ccvc ccvcc ch sh th ng ck qu



Moon Dogs Series Set 3

SD10037

Total: 14 books

Set 3 introduces two spellings for a vowel sound.

ai ay, ee e, oa ow, ur ir, e ea, ow ou, oo ue, igh l, oo oul, or aw, oi oy, ar a, air are, ear eer



Magic Belt Series

SD12095

Total: 12 books

This series runs parallel with 'That Dog!'. Designed for pupils who can read simple CVC words. When Zak's grandfather falls ill, Zak must go on a quest to find ten magical gems to help cure him.

Introduces adjacent consonants and consonant digraphs
cvc cvcc, cvcc, ccvc and -ed, ccvcc, ch, tch, sh, th, ck, qu, ng, wh, -ing, le



That Dog!

SD10368

Total: 12 books

This series runs parallel with 'Magic Belt'. Designed for pupils who can read simple CVC words. Ben has always wanted a dog. One day a scruffy stray follows him home. Will he get to keep him?

Introduces adjacent consonants and consonant digraphs
cvc cvcc, cvcc, ccvc and -ed, ccvcc, ch, tch, sh, th, ck, qu, ng, wh, -ing, le



Totem Series

LI00924

Total: 12 books

This series runs parallel with the 'Alba Series'. Designed for pupils who need support consolidating consonant digraphs and vowel spellings. Zak's adventures continue when he's captured and his shepherd's staff acquires special powers.

Totem Books

Introduces cvc cvcc, ccvc, ccvcc, sh, ch, th, ck, ng, qu, wh, ai, ay, a-e, a, ee, ea, e, y, ey, o-e, ow, oa, o, er, ir, ur, ow, ou, igh, i-e, y, l, oa, ew, u-e, u



Alba Series

SD12094

Total: 12 books

This series runs parallel with the 'Totem Series'. Designed for pupils who need support consolidating consonant digraphs and vowel spellings. When someone threatens her father's important scientific work, Alba steps in to save the day.

cvc cvcc, ccvc, ccvcc, sh, ch, th, ck, ng, qu, wh, ai, ay, a-e, a, ee, ea, e, y, ey, o-e, ow, oa, o, er, ir, ur, ow, ou, igh, i-e, y, l, oa, ew, u-e, u



Talisman Series 1

SD10149

Total: 10 books

This series runs parallel with the 'Rescue Series'. Designed for pupils needing additional support with vowel spellings. Zak is given a strange gift with special powers by his grandfather, but somebody else wants it and will stop at nothing to get it.

Provides a recap of alternative vowel spellings covered in Totem and Alba with additional vowel spellings for new vowel sounds.



Rescue Series

SD12306

Total: 10 books

This series runs parallel with 'Talisman Series 1'. Designed for pupils needing additional support with vowel spellings. When disaster strikes, Erin and her friends Danny must rescue her baby brother Jack.

Provides a recap of alternative vowel spellings covered in Totem and Alba with additional vowel spellings for new vowel sounds.

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Titans Gauntlets Series

SD12616

Total: 10 books

Designed for pupils needing to learn more complex vowel and consonant spellings and suffixes. Finn must harness the power of the Gauntlet if he is to awaken Titan and stop the Evil Winged One from destroying the world.

Introduces alternatives for new vowel and consonant sounds and common suffixes.



Talisman Series 2

SD12033

Total: 10 books

Designed for pupils who need to revise spellings introduced in Titans Gauntlets.

The Dark Master is creating a new Talisman and all of mankind is at risk. Zak must work quickly if he is to save the world.

Introduces more alternatives for new vowel and consonant sounds and common suffixes.



Amber Guardians

SD10091

Total: 10 books

Designed for pupils needing to build reading stamina.

A chance discovery of an ancient necklace soon leads Finn and his friends on an incredible quest.

An increasing amount of text helps to build reading stamina and increase confidence.

Catch-up Phonic Readers



Schools love the Catch-Up Reader Range!



'That Dog' is an engaging, lively and compelling story about a boy who has always wanted a dog and one day is followed home by a stray which he hides in his bedroom. The visually striking illustrations that accompany the text are truly stunning and add considerable interest and value. They cleverly combine a reader age of 4-7 with a high interest age of 8-14 years and allow children to experience reading success.

Teach Primary Magazin Review



I think the Talisman books are great because I like the drawings and the characters are amazing! The Talisman books help me learn because I read the letters and the new vocabulary.

Pupil Testimonial



The Moon Dog books are wonderful because although they are for beginner readers, the pictures and text engage older children. Both pictures and stories lend themselves to higher level comprehension questions, as well. I have even encouraged students to think about the verb tenses and to change some sentences to the past orally.... which is good for working on points of grammar and English language skills.

R. Sloane, Teacher

