

## Stories and Poetry time

Reading to children is the best way of encouraging them to love books and reading. By reading stories aloud to your child every day, you are forming a link for them between reading, and comfort and love. Children thrive on repetition and so by reading much loved books over and over you are developing their brains for success!


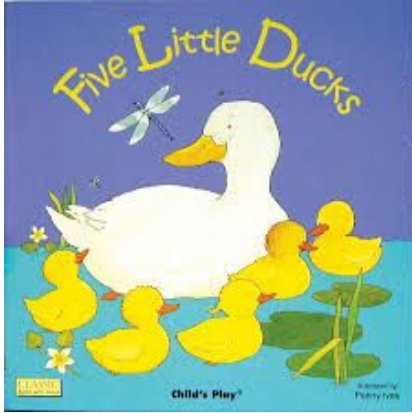

The more you read the more the story belongs to the child. By reading, you are taking them into a world that goes well beyond our typical everyday spoken language.

Stories teach children to ...

- Sustain attention
  - Learn thousand of new word
  - Deepen their knowledge of words
  - Link thoughts from one part of the story to another
  - Understand emotions of other
  - Build picture in their minds from the words on the page
  - Find out about new places, people and things
  - Understand humour
  - Follow a plo with its twists and turns
  - Understand suspense and predict what's about to happen next
- ...to name but a few.

So why not give it a try and explore the world of books with your child.

Here is a list of some of the recommended texts that you might like to share with your child.

Well-loved stories	Rhymes and songs	Traditional Tales
 <p>Our nursery class author is Julia Donaldson.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Dear Zoo by Rod Campbell</li> <li>● Five Minutes Peace by Jill Murphy</li> </ul>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Five Little Ducks</li> <li>● Five Little Speckled Frogs</li> <li>● Baa Baa Black Sheep</li> <li>● Hickory Docikory Dock</li> <li>● Humpty Dumpty</li> </ul>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Goldilocks and the three Bears</li> <li>● Jack and the Beanstalk</li> <li>● The Enormous Turnip</li> <li>● The Little Red Hen</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funnybones by Janett and Allan Ahlberg</li> <li>• Gorilla by Anthony Browne</li> <li>• Guess How Much I Love You by Sam McBratney</li> <li>• Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers</li> <li>• Mr Grumpy's Outing by John Burningham</li> <li>• Odd Dog Out by Rob Biddulph</li> <li>• Oi Frog! By Kes Gray</li> <li>• Owl Babies by Martin Waddell</li> <li>• Peace at last by Jill Murphy</li> <li>• The Tiger Who Came to Tea by Judith Kerr</li> <li>• The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle</li> <li>• We're Going on a Bear Hunt by Michael Rosen</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If your happy and you know it</li> <li>• I'm a Little Teapot</li> <li>• Jack and Jill</li> <li>• Incey Winsy Spider</li> <li>• Jack and Jill</li> <li>• Little Bo Peep</li> <li>• One, two Buckle my shoe</li> <li>• Pat-a-cake</li> <li>• One, two three, four, five</li> <li>• Polly put the kettle on</li> <li>• Old MacDonald</li> <li>• Round and Round the Garden</li> <li>• The Dingle, Dangle Scarecrow</li> <li>• When all the Cows are sleeping</li> <li>• Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star</li> <li>• Wind the Bobbin up</li> <li>• Five Little Men in a Flying Saucer</li> <li>• Five currant buns in a bakers shop</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Gingerbread Man</li> <li>• The Hare and the Tortoise</li> <li>• The Three Billy Goats Gruff</li> <li>• The Three Little Pigs</li> <li>• The Ugly Duckling</li> <li>• Stone Soup</li> <li>• Little Red Riding Hood</li> <li>• Snow White</li> <li>• Beauty and the Beast</li> <li>• Rapunzel</li> <li>• The Elves and the Shoemaker</li> <li>• Cinderella</li> <li>• Dick Whittinton</li> <li>• Sleeping Beauty</li> </ul>
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Some useful websites to find more about books and reading to your nursery child.



## BookTrust transforms lives by getting children and families reading

BookTrust is the UK's largest children's reading charity. Each year we reach 3.9 million children across the UK with books, resources and support.



### Library services for children and young people in Torquay

We want children to have fun in the library as they discover the world of books and all libraries in Torbay have areas specifically for children.

- We are always happy to offer help on choosing books for your child and welcome any questions you may have.
- Free reservations - if you're under 16 you can reserve items that are on loan or at another library, absolutely FREE.
- No charges – there are no overdue charges made for under 16s.
- We also offer a number of free services and activities for children of all ages during and out of term time.

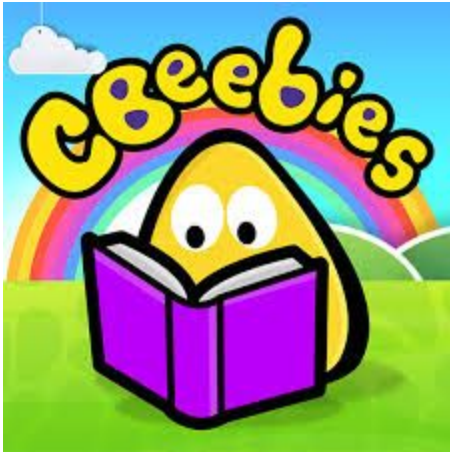
Weekly activities include storytime, crafts and music, rhythm and rhyme just book online or call.



BBC - We love books!!!!



A website with a wide range of stories



## **CBeebies Storytime App**

CBeebies Storytime aims to make reading fun, with playful and imaginative stories designed to help support early years reading. Every story is brought to life with magical things to touch, swipe and play with. There are also questions to help develop comprehension skills, so you and your little ones can enjoy reading, playing and learning together.

The app has a library feature where you and your little ones will be able to choose and download more stories for free and when they are finished with these they can simply choose others. The app has over 40 stories in the library! Don't forget to come back regularly and visit the library to keep up-to-date with all of the new stories as they are added.