

Get Islington Reading: Resources for current context



Digital Reading material

Resource (with link if applicable)	Description	Cost
Audible	Free audio books categorised by age. Includes stories in French, Portuguese and Japanese.	£0
ELS Wheelers - Education Library Service	All subscribing Islington schools have access to our eBook platform which currently holds 1525 Primary level titles and 647 Secondary school level titles.	£0 for subscribing schools
Islington Library Service eBooks and eAudiobooks	There are currently 800 children's titles in Islington Libraries BorrowBox.	Free with library membership
Love Reading 4 Kids	Allows you to read extracts of books and then directs you to where you can buy a copy. Useful to try titles before buying.	£0 for extracts with free account
Amazon	They have 100 free children's kindle titles which are constantly changing.	£0
Twinkl	Lots of Twinkl original eBooks (not named authors) available from EY to KS2, including non-fiction. Each book does come with an activity sheet.	£0 with free account
Virtual School Library - The National Literacy Trust	In partnership with Oak Academy. A new author each week shares an eBook, as well as video content, and reading and writing activities.	£0
Rising Stars online library	EY and KS1 have over 400 titles, KS2 have 96. These are all book banded titles rather than reading for pleasure titles.	EY&KS1: £399 KS2: £299 per year
Collins Big cat eBook library	Big cat is primarily aimed at phonics, but does offer general fiction titles at the higher price points.	£99-£999 per year.
Browns Books VLeBooks	Subscription based, and might be more suitable for secondary.	Around £20-£30 a title.

Encouraging good reading habits at home

Storytime videos - Education Library Service	The channel has been setup so that the initial screen displays the most popular selection of book videos. Staff or children can scroll down to see playlists that have been created for all year groups in schools.
Young Readers Story Club - The National Literacy Trust	This collection of short films features favourite storytellers, poets, writers and illustrators telling exciting stories. Each video has a different theme and a fun challenge to complete.
Winter Mini Challenge - The Reading Agency	The Reading Agency's Winter Mini Challenge has been extended to the 19th February! You will be able to continue using the website and adding books to your profile (even if you have already read three books and completed the Challenge) - and look out for new activities in the coming weeks too!
Words for Life and Zone in for 13+ - The National Literacy Trust	Our home-learning platforms aimed at parents and families. Activities to support reading, writing and communication in the home, but there is also lots here to inspire teacher-led remote learning.
Reading Well -The Reading Agency	Provides quality-assured information, stories and advice to support children's mental health and wellbeing. Books have been chosen and recommended by leading health professionals and co-produced with families.

Supporting remote teaching of reading

Puffin Schools	A variety of one off activities, author videos and teacher packs for KS1, KS2 and KS3 based on Puffin books including <i>Wonder</i> , <i>Little Leaders</i> and <i>Diary of a Wimpy Kid</i> .
First News	Free teaching resources available as well as costed options such as a digital child-friendly newspaper.
Digital resources for lockdown - The Reading Agency	Signposting online reading activities and booklists including how to run a virtual reading group and how to host online events.
Membership Resources - The National Literacy Trust	A huge array of teaching resources to support literacy. GIR partner schools have access to all resources, including those behind the paywall. Log in details have been sent in an email.
World Book Day	Activities linked to books for nursery, primary and secondary aged children.
Class Reading Sets – Education Library Service	Class Reading Sets and books from the Reading Road Maps can still be borrowed from the Education Library Service.