

Home Learning – Wings Years 2-6

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Why are you receiving this advice?

Your child uses a programme called Success for All (SfA) at school to learn to read and write. At each level of the Wings programme, children read real books. The following resources complement these books their teacher reads in class and will help them when they are back at school.

If you are unsure which group your child is in, you can ask your child or choose a level and go up or down as needed.

This time we thought we would give you the chance to read an online text or revisit a story you have already read and write a review of it explain what it was about and why you liked it.

Parents read this helpful guide beforehand:

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/book-review-benefits-for-kids>, there is another here:
<http://www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources/tips-howtos/help-child-write-book-30292.html>

There is also a range of book reviews to read here for inspiration:

http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/english/pdfs/book%20report_framework.pdf

[Wings 1 & 2](#)

Choose one of these online books – or feel free to read them all! This is a simple story about a Dragon and a boy called George:

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/storybooks-and-games/the-dragon-machine/>

We've really enjoyed this story about a boy who has a dream!

http://www.childrenslibrary.org/icdl/BookReader?bookid=mardani_01170001&twoPage=true&route=simple_86,85,84_0_0_English_11&size=0&fullscreen=false&pnum=1&lang=English&ilang=English&tsize=0

Then have a go at completing this book review template:

<http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/english/pdfs/DGbookreview.pdf>

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Read this guide before you start writing your book review:

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/tips-and-advice/writing-tips/writing-tips-for-teens/how-to-write-a-book-review/>

There are then lots of books to choose from here:

<http://www.childrenslibrary.org/icdl/SimpleSearchCategory?ilang=English> You could try this story about a dog who suddenly starts talking. <https://freekidsbooks.org/bookview/11113/> Or try this story called Billy Saves the Day!
<https://freekidsbooks.org/bookview/20667/>

Or there is this beautifully illustrated story about a white stork. http://www.childrenslibrary.org/icdl/BookReader?bookid=baucico_00040009&twoPage=true&route=simple_85,265_0_0_English_11&size=0&fullscreen=false&pnum=14&pnum=15&lang=English&ilang=English&tsize=0

Then use this template to write your book review:

http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/english/pdfs/book%20report_framework.pdf

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Enjoy this story about a boy called Evron, who along with eleven of his dog friends have come to Earth.

http://www.childrenslibrary.org/icdl/BookPage?bookid=smitime_00630001&pnum=1&twoPage=false&route=simple_133,265_0_0_English_11&size=12&fullscreen=false&lang=English&ilang=English

Or you could read a classic like "The Secret Garden," by Frances Hodgson Burnett. A 10-year-old orphan comes to live in a lonely house and discovers a locked garden.

<http://read.gov/books/pageturner/2002juv21580/#page/2/module/2up>

Then try and complete this book review template:

<https://www.primaryresources.co.uk/english/pdfs/guided.pdf>

Other sites for free books:

<https://www.storylineonline.net/> This website has lots of stories read out loud by famous people and many of them are animated.

You can search for books by age and language – here:

<http://www.childrenslibrary.org/icdl/SimpleSearchCategory?ilang=English>

Don't forget the Summer Reading Challenge, they have games and great books to discover:

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

[NB Always check sites before allowing your child to visit them.](#)