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Read to be happy

Progetto lettura Pearson

Perché leggere in inglese?

Leggere in inglese significa apprendere in modo naturale e coinvolgente, ed è una scelta educativa vincente per diversi motivi. Innanzitutto, favorisce un apprendimento efficace, arricchendo il vocabolario, rafforzando le strutture grammaticali e sviluppando le capacità di comprensione del testo. Inoltre, le storie rappresentano una fonte di motivazione autentica: accendono la curiosità degli studenti e creano un legame emotivo con la lingua, che va oltre i confini dell'aula. Infine, la lettura apre la mente a nuove culture, stimolando empatia, pensiero critico e una maggiore consapevolezza globale.



Pearson Readers: il supporto ideale

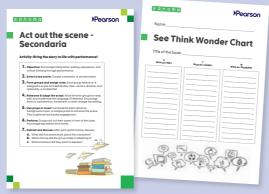
Si tratta di un progetto di lettura accessibile, flessibile e ricco di contenuti, pensato per rispondere alle diverse esigenze di insegnanti e studenti. Le letture sono graduate e suddivise per età e livello linguistico, rendendole adatte a percorsi personalizzati sia in aula che per la lettura autonoma. I testi affrontano temi attuali, interdisciplinari e stimolanti, offrendo spunti di riflessione coinvolgenti. Il progetto è inoltre in linea con gli Obiettivi di Sviluppo Sostenibile dell'Agenda ONU 2030 (SDGs) e promuove lo sviluppo delle competenze legate al Social Emotional Learning (SEL).

Resources for the reading project



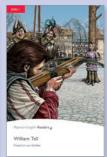






Cerca i bollini nel catalogo per scoprire quali Pearson Readers fanno parte del progetto.









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Pearson English Readers

One of the largest selections of graded readers for teenagers available in Italy

Inspiring stories, incredible choice, improved learning

Un catalogo aggiornato e ancora più ampio, che mantiene chiara e intatta la sua identità: il grande assortimento e la qualità dei titoli proposti, adatti a incentivare la lettura, a nutrire la fantasia, e incoraggiare all'apprendimento gli studenti di ogni età.

The perfect book for everyone

Dalle opere più recenti ai classici rivisitati, dai film di maggiore successo ai romanzi gialli densi di suspense, il catalogo 2025 presenta una selezione di oltre 190 titoli. Scritti con cura, suddivisi in numerose collane e in più livelli, a seconda del numero di parole contenute nel testo e della difficoltà del racconto, i Pearson English Readers portano la gioia della lettura e l'opportunità di apprendimento a portata di mano di ogni studente.

Supporting teachers

Per supportare i docenti all'uso dei Readers in classe, ogni titolo è corredato da un ampio repertorio di materiale extra: l'audio del testo, Teacher's Notes, Activity Worksheets, Progress Tests, Answer Keys, Achievement Certificates. Tutto per rendere ogni attività ancora più coinvolgente.





Pearson English Readers

Un incredibile assortimento di titoli caratterizza la collana, che può essere considerata senza dubbio tra le più complete presenti nel panorama delle letture graduate. Oltre ai classici bestseller, è possibile trovare racconti meno famosi di autori popolari, riadattamenti letterari di film, storie che affrontano tematiche storiche e d'attualità, ma anche racconti inventati, scritti in un linguaggio chiaro, accessibile e avvincente. Libri perfetti sia per l'utilizzo in classe, sia soprattutto per una lettura di piacere, di tipo estensivo, anche fuori da scuola, per lettori di ogni età. Esercizi di comprensione alla fine di ogni libro.

Pearson English Active Readers

Grazie ad ancora più esercizi, schede di approfondimento e idee per sviluppare progetti originali, gli Active Readers sono libri studiati per un'immersione totale nel mondo della lettura e dell'apprendimento. La collana, che conta moltissimi titoli, permette di consolidare le proprie conoscenze e di sviluppare nuove competenze linguistiche. L'audio integrale dei libri favorisce l'abilità di ascolto e l'apprendimento della corretta pronuncia inglese. Esercizi di comprensione all'inizio e fine di ogni capitolo.

Happy Reading!

Intensive and Extensive Reading Programmes

I Pearson English Readers vengono spesso usati per due tipologie di lettura: estensiva e intensiva. Questi due approcci hanno scopi diversi e possono essere utilizzati insieme, in modo concomitante o complementare, per favorire lo sviluppo integrato del linguaggio.

What is extensive reading?

Gli studenti leggono per divertimento, senza doversi fermare per concentrarsi su parole che non conoscono; leggono un gran numero di storie per aumentare le capacità complessive di lettura.

Pearson English Readers sono progettati per una lettura di tipo estensivo forniscono: una vasta scelta di titoli che coprono generi diversi, in modo che gli studenti possano scegliere libri che apprezzano maggiormente, e vengono incentivati a leggere di più; attività extra che consentono agli studenti di verificare il loro livello di comprensione del testo.

What is intensive reading?

Gli studenti leggono in modo più dettagliato e analitico, si concentrano su testi e svolgono attività ed esercizi utili a migliorare la comprensione dei testi e sviluppare ulteriormente le loro abilità linguistiche.

Pearson English Active Readers sono progettati per una lettura di tipo intensivo, forniscono: il giusto livello di sfida per garantire una lettura piacevole unitamente a progressi nell'acquisizione della lingua; approfondimenti lessicali e attività grammaticali che favoriscono e valutano l'acquisizione del linguaggio e verificano il livello di comprensione di testo.

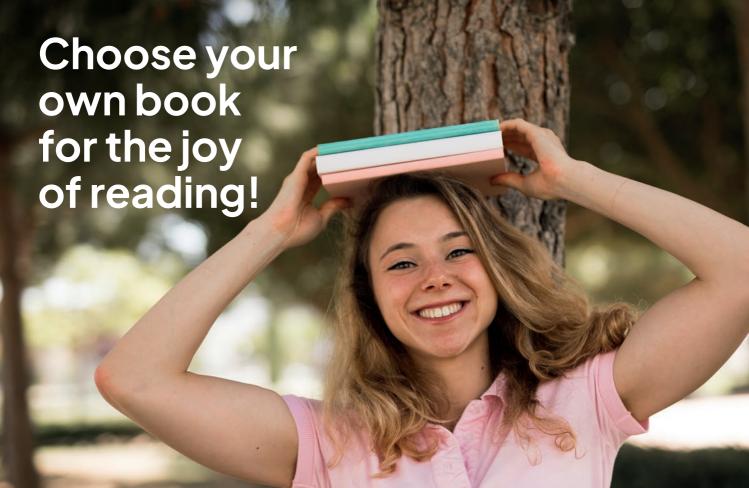
Making reading accessible to all

I nostri Readers sono attentamente strutturati per livello, a seconda del numero di parole che compongono il vocabolario dei racconti e della difficoltà del linguaggio utilizzato. I livelli sono riconosciuti secondo standard internazionali, come il Quadro Comune Europeo di Riferimento per la conoscenza delle Lingue (CEFR) e la Pearson Global Scale of English (GSE). Sono inoltre allineati ai livelli delle più importanti certificazioni linguistiche, come il Pearson English International Certificate Young Learners (PEIC YL) e il Cambridge Young Learners Test (CYLET).

Correlation chart

		Level	Headwords	CEFR	GSE	PTE	Cambridge
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	ears	Level 3	1200	A2+/B1	37-50	Breakthrough	Preliminary for Schools
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		Level 5	2300	B1+/B2+	54-72	Level 3	First
		Level 6	3000	B2/C1	64-83	Level 4	Advanced

Choose your own book for the joy of reading!



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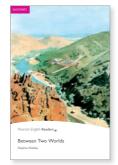
Dalle opere più recenti ai classici rivisitati, dai film di maggiore successo ai romanzi gialli densi di suspense, la nostra ricca offerta comprende le storie e gli autori più amati sia dai lettori più appassionati sia da quelli che, grazie a questi libri, presto lo diventeranno.

- Una collana perfetta sia per incentivare la lettura individuale sia per favorire il lavoro collaborativo in classe.
- Titoli attentamente selezionati, curati da madrelingua inglesi e graduati per difficoltà, per coltivare in tutti gli studenti il piacere della lettura e dell'apprendimento.
- L'ebook dei libri e le numerose pagine di esercizi completano l'offerta, per una comprensione del testo a 360°.

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Between Two Worlds

Stephen Rabley

Joanna Jimbuku is a nurse in Australia. She works with a Flying Doctor. One day a baby is very ill. Joanna takes the baby to Sydney. It's her first visit to a big city, and she loves it. Does she stay in the city or go home?

Billy and the Queen

Stephen Rabley

Billy and his sister want new bicycles, but they don't have any money. Then their grandmother has an idea. There's a competition in Palace magazine. The first prize is £500. 'What do you think?' Billy asks his sister. 'We can buy two new bicycles for £500,' she says.



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Tommy Grant is a taxi driver. One morning his boss telephones him. 'Can you be at the Ritz hotel at 9 o'clock?' he asks. The 12-year-old son of a film star is in London. His name is Dino. 'Be very nice to the boy,' Tommy's boss says.

Flying Home

Stephen Rabley

Felix is not a happy bird. He comes from Brazil, but he doesn't live there. He lives in New York in a cage. Then one day his cage opens, and Felix says goodbye to New York. Can he find his family in Brazil again?

Hannah and The Hurricane

John Escott

Hannah loves her job on old Mr. Duval's small boat. The boat takes people to the beautiful coral reef every day. Then a rich man arrives with a big new boat. Suddenly, there isn't any work for Hannah and Mr. Duval. Then the hurricane comes ...

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Maisie King lives in the Bahamas. Her mother and father work at an Animal Hospital. Maisie has a new friend. His name is Ben and he's a dolphin. Ben is very ill. Maisie helps him. Then Maisie has a big problem. Can Ben help her?

Marcel and The Mona Lisa

Stephen Rabley

Marcel is a French mouse, and a detective. One evening, at the Louvre Museum, he sees a man steal a famous painting - the Mona Lisa. Marcel follows the thief to Venice and risks his life to get the painting back again

Marcel and The White Star

Stephen Rabley

Marcel is a mouse and a famous detective. He lives in Paris. One evening, two thieves steal a very expensive diamond ring - the 'White Star'. Then they steal a car. Marcel follows them across Paris to a café. Can he get the 'White Star' and bring it back?



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San Francisco Story

John Escott

Ben has a job in Mr. Tyson's store. Then Mr. Tyson finds money in Ben's bag. Get out of my store! Mr. Tyson says. But is Ben the thief? There is an earthquake in the city, and Mr. Tyson gets his answer.

Simon and the Spy

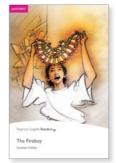
Flizabeth Laird

Simon Simple is going on holiday and the police are looking for a spy. On the train, Simon meets a beautiful girl. He likes her and she likes him. But the spy is there too. Simon and the police can't see the spy. Can you?

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The Big Bag Mistake

John Escott

Ricardo and Gisela are going home to Rio. Gisela likes reading and quiet people. Ricardo likes noise ... and he likes Gisela. In Rio, a thief takes Gisela's bag. What can Ricardo do?

The Fireboy

Stephen Rabley

Hapu lives in Ancient Egypt. Hapu's father is ill, but they haven't got any money for a doctor. Hapu makes a beautiful necklace for Queen Cleopatra and takes it to her. But a guard says: 'go home.' How can Hapu meet the Queen and get a doctor for his father?

The Last Photo

Bernard Smith

Pam and Martin are visiting Cambridge. While Pam is taking photographs a man walks into her frame. Later, Martin sees the man's picture in the newspaper. The police are looking for him. Is it the same man? Where has he gone? Can Pam's photo help solve the mystery?



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The Leopard and The Lighthouse

Anne Collins

One day a leopard swims across the sea to Sindi. He is hungry and he is looking for food. He runs into an old lighthouse. The people of... Sindi do not want the leopard in their lighthouse. But what can they do How can they catch the leopard?

The Pearl Girl

Stephen Rabley

Kate Grant comes from Canada. She is visiting Europe with her mother and father. One evening she sees two men in a museum. They are taking a very famous picture..." Girl with a Pearl Ear-ring." What can Kate do?

The Troy Stone Stephen Rabley

Mark Jackson is on holiday in Turkey. He visits the old city of Troy and finds a yellow stone. 'I know this stone,' he thinks. 'It comes from... from... 'Suddenly Mark goes back in time. He can see a beautiful city, soldiers and a big wooden horse.

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Tinker's Farm

Stephen Rabley

It is 1800. Jenny Tinker arrives in New York with her father, Sam. The Tinkers are English. They're starting a new life in America. They want a farm, but they haven't got any money. What can they do?

Who Wants to be a Star?

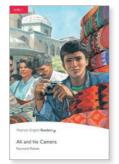
Julia Allen and Margaret Iggulden

Tina Daniels is thirteen years old and a star. She sings beautifully, and everyone loves her. Her mother has big ideas about Hollywood, but Tina is not happy. One day she goes away on a train. Who does she meet? What does she see? Read about Tina's new life.





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Jules Verne

This is the story of Captain Nemo and his submarine, the Nautilus. One day, Nemo finds three men in the sea. For months the men live on the Nautilus. They find a town on the sea floor, beautiful coasts and a lot of gold. But they want to go home. Can they escape from Nemo's submarine?

Ali and His Camera

Raymond Pizante

Ali wants to take photos of people and places in Istanbul, but he has a big problem. He hasn't got a camera. How can he get one?

Girl Meets Boy

Derek Strange

A girl sees a quiet good-looking boy on the boat to Spain. She loves his shy smile, and she wants to see him again. The boy wants to be with her too, but there are problems. Can the boy and the girl get together? Or do they never meet again?



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Elizabeth Laird

Karen's job takes her to many places. She loves art, and in Rome she sees some beautiful pictures. But the artist can't sell them and he has no money. Karen likes the young man. Can she sell his pictures for him?

Lisa In London

Paul Victor

It is Lisa's first visit to London. She is going to learn English. Then she meets Michael. And suddenly her English lessons are very exciting.

Marcel and the Shakespeare Letters

Stephen Rabley

Marcel visits his friend, Henry, in London. Henry knows a professor and he has some very interesting letters - by William Shakespeare! Marcel and Henry want to see the letters, but they are not in the professor's flat. Marcel is a detective. Can he find them?



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Marcel Goes to Hollywood

Stephen Rabley

Marcel and his friend Céline are on holiday in Los Angeles. They are staying in the home of Arnold Waldman, a famous film director. But on the first night of their holiday, kidnappers take away Arnold's daughter...

Mike's Lucky Day Leslie Dunkling

Mike is an assistant van driver. He meets Jennifer in her father's shop - and he likes her very much. Jennifer is going to go to the cinema with him. But he is very late, and Jennifer is very angry. Is it really Mike's lucky day?

Rip Van Winkle and the Legend of Sleepy Hollow

Washington Irving

Rip Van Winkle walks into the mountains one day and meets some strange old men. He comes home twenty years later. One dark night, Ichabod Crane is riding home and sees a man on a black horse behind him. The man has no head. Are there ghosts in these stories? What do you think?



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Run For Your Life

Stephen Waller

Kim is running through the streets of the old town. She is frightened. A man with dark eyes and a knife is looking for her. He is going to catch her. This holiday in beautiful Barcelona is suddenly very dangerous. Where is Kim's friend Dave? What can she do?

Sadie's Big Day at the Office

Tonya Trappe

The team arrives for another day at the office. The workers are happy, but their bosses have a surprise for them. Is it going to be a nice surprise—or not?

Six Sketches

Leslie Dunkling

Norma is always right. But has she got the right train tickets? What happens when Mrs. Roberts has coffee with Mrs. Price? And is David ready for his wedding? The answers are in these six sketches.



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Racing was a men's sport - and then came the women. Danica Patrick is from the United States. Mika Duno is Venezuelan. Laleh Seddigh is from Iran. They race with men, and they are winners. Read their stories.

Surfer!

Paul Harvey

On the beach near Nick's home there is a surfing competition with a big prize. Nick is a very good surfer. He wants to win the prize and go to Australia. But Nick's father is not happy. Can Nick win the competition and go to Australia?

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer

Mark Twain

Tom Sawyer does not like school. He does not like work, and he never wants to get out of bed in the morning. But he likes swimming and fishing and having adventures with his friends. And he has a lot of adventures. One night, he and his friend Huck Finn go to the graveyard to look for ghosts. They don't see any ghosts that night. They see something worse than a ghost - much, much worse...



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O. Henry

A young couple, Della and Jim, who, despite their financial struggles, each sacrifice their most prized possession to buy a Christmas gift for the other, leading to an ironic yet poignant conclusion.

The House of the Seven Gables

Nathaniel Hawthorne

The House of the Seven Gables is the home of an important family: the Pyncheons. They have the house and a lot of land, but no money and many problems. Is there a curse on the family? This is a story about money, murder, and love.

The Missing Coins

John Escott

Pete and Carla are students. One day they look at some very old coins and stamps in a shop. Later that day, some coins are missing and the shopkeeper wants to find Pete.



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William Tell

Friedrich von Schiller

William Tell is a good man, but his country is a dangerous place. The Swiss people don't like the Austrian emperor or his governor in Switzerland. Can William Tell help them in their fight with the Austrians? Or is he a man of peace?

A Christmas Carol

Charles Dickens

Scrooge is a cold, hard man. He loves money, and he doesn't like people. He really doesn't like Christmas. But when some ghosts visit him, they show him his past life, his life now, and a possible future. Will Scrooge learn from the ghosts? Can he change?

Alice In Wonderland

Lewis Carroll

One hot summer day, Alice sees a white rabbit and runs after it. She follows it down a rabbit-hole and arrives in Wonderland. Here, caterpillars can talk, and rabbits have watches. And the Queen wants to cut off everybody's head!



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Five Famous Fairy Tales

When a fisherman opens an old jar, a giant comes out. When a donkey opens its mouth, gold falls out. There is magic in these five fairy tales. Good people are often very unhappy — but in the end they have happy lives.

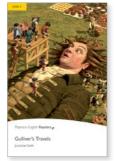
Five Plays for Today

Tonya Trappe

is afraid of other boys. and Leo can't talk about their feelings, and Sue lies to her boyfriend. These five short plays tell the stories of young people with problems. Are there any answers? What do you think?



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Gandhi

Jane Rollason

Mahatma Gandhi died in 1948, but his name is famous around the world. He fought for change in South Africa and then at home in India. But he lived a simple life and he protested without violence. People watched him and they loved him. Many follow his ideas today.

Gulliver's Travels

Jonathan Swift

Gulliver travels across the sea from England and has an accident. He arrives in a country of very, very small people. What will they do with him? How will he talk to them? And why are the Big-enders fighting the Little-enders?

Heidi

Johanna Spyri

Heidi lives with her grandfather high in the mountains of Switzerland. One day, Heidi moves to Frankfurt. Can she go back to the mountains and the people she loves?



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Kidnapped

Robert Louis Stevenson

After his parents die, young David Balfour goes to the house of his uncle Ebenezer. But his uncle is a dangerous man. When he puts David on a ship to America, a difficult and dangerous time begins. But who is the stranger on the ship? Can he help David?

King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table

Only the next king can pull the sword out of the stone. Many people try, but they cannot move the sword. Then young Arthur tries, but it comes out easily. Now he will be king. But will he be a good king? And will his life be happy?

Lost In New York

John Escott

This is Nicky's first visit to New York. He is going to stay with his aunt, but she is not at the airport. Then some older boys on motorbikes play a dangerous game with him. Not long after he arrives, the police are looking for Nicky.



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Lost Love and Other Stories

Jan Carew

The stories in this book are exciting and sometimes very strange. Some are sad and some are happy. We meet many interesting people – a young man in love, a lonely customer in a shop, a shy soldier. Strange things happen to all these people. But life is strange sometimes.

Marley and Me

John Grogan

A young husband and wife buy a puppy and call him Marley. Marley gets bigger and bigger, and he is not an easy dog. He eats everything. He breaks things. He doesn't listen. But he loves John and Jenny and they love him. Is this really the story of the world's worst dog?

Moby Dick

Herman Melville

Moby Dick is the most dangerous whale in the oceans. Captain Ahab fought him and lost a leg. Now he hates Moby Dick. He wants to kill him. But can Captain Ahab and his men find the great white whale? A young sailor, Ishmael, tells the story of their exciting and dangerous trip.



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Moonfleet

J. Meade Falkner

Moonfleet is a quiet village in the south of England, but John Trenchard knows its secrets: smugglers and a famous stolen diamond. A classic tale of adventure.

Persuasion

Jane Austen

When they were very young, Anne Elliot and Captain Wentworth were in love. They did not marry, but Anne never forgot her love for him. Now, many years later, they meet again. Does Wentworth feel anything for Anne, or is he only interested in her pretty young friends?

Project Omega

Elaine O'Reilly

Charles Hatfield Baker III, one of the richest men in New York City, suddenly disappears. His daughter, Julia, wants to find him. The directors of his company want power and money. Do they know where he is? And what is Project Omega? Can Julia find her father and save his company?



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Robinson Crusoe

Daniel Defoe

Robinson Crusoe is at sea when there is a great storm. His ship goes down, and his friends die. The sea throws Crusoe onto a beach. He is on an island. But which island? Are there other people on it? And are they friendly? What will Crusoe do now?

Simply Suspense

Frank Stockton, Stacy Aumonier, Alfred Burrage

There are three exciting short stories in this book. They are all about ...fear! Three people are in dangerous places. What can they do? Will anybody help them?

Stranger Than Fiction

Phil Healey and Rick Glanvill

A man fell from a very tall building. Why didn't he die? Why did a dead woman have a frozen chicken under her hat? What fell out of an old man's ear, and why did everybody laugh? And how did a cow fly? Find the answers in these strange stories.



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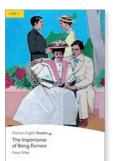
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Sherlock Holmes is a very clever man. When people have strange, difficult problems, they come to him. Where is Mr. Hosmer Angel? Which student saw the exam paper before the exam? Why is somebody following Miss Smith? Can you find the answers before Sherlock Holmes does?

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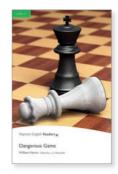
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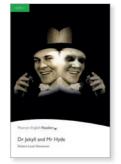
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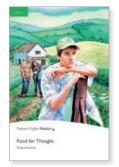
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Count Dracula is a vampire. He drinks people's blood. He lives in a lonely castle in the mountains of Transylvania. But then he comes to England and strange things start happening. People change. People become ill. Professor Van Helsing knows about vampires, but can he stop Count Dracula?



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Hamlet

William Shakespeare

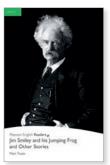
Hamlet is the Prince of Denmark. His heart is filled with sadness and pain. Why? Only his two best friends, Horatio and Marcellus, know the true reason. The new king, Claudius, murdered Hamlet's father and married the young prince's mother. Will Hamlet be strong and brave enough to take revenge? Is he mad? Or does he have a secret plan?

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William Shakespeare

King Lear is old but not wise. He loves the two daughters who secretly hate him. He hates the only daughter who really loves him. In time, he discovers his mistake. Has he learnt his lesson? Or will his proud and angry nature bring him even more sadness and pain?

K's First Case

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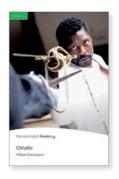
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Sephy Hadley and Callum McGregor are two young people in love. But Sephy is a Cross, daughter of a government minister, and Callum is a Nought. In their world, Crosses and Noughts cannot be friends. Must they become enemies? Or is there hope for them, and for their unhappy country?

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William Shakespeare

Othello is a popular soldier who is in love with his beautiful new wife. He also has good friends, like lago, another soldier. So when lago tells him terrible stories about his wife, Desdemona, who should Othello believe? Will jealousy destroy all their lives? This is one of William Shakespeare's greatest plays.



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Romeo and Juliet is one of the most famous love stories in the world. But it is more than a great love story. It is also about life and death, happiness and sadness, and the terrible hate between two great families. Shakespeare's beautiful tale is still as popular today as it was more than 400 years ago.

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John Escott

A mysterious stranger has come to the island where Costas lives. Why is the man there, and why is he looking at Eagle's Rock? Costas wants to be the first person to climb the dangerous rock. But will the stranger climb it first?

The Count of Monte Cristo

Alexandre Dumas

Edmond Dantés is a clever young seaman. He has enemies who tell lies about him. On the day of his wedding to the beautiful Mercédès, Edmond is thrown into prison. There he meets a man who tells him about treasure on the island of Monte Cristo. Will Edmond escape from prison and find the treasure? And will he see Mercédès again?



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A diamond necklace is stolen from a museum. Everyone who works at the museum could be guilty. But who really took the necklace, and why? The police suspect Paul, a young student. So, Paul must find the real thief.

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Strangers On a Train

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Guy Haines is travelling through Texas on a train when a stranger invites him to share a meal. But the stranger has a terrible plan. 'You murder my father, and I'll murder your wife,' he suggests. So begins Guy's journey into a world of madness, lies and death.

The Canterville Ghost and Other Stories

Oscar Wilde

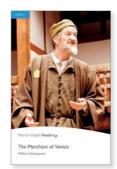
The famous Canterville Ghost haunts an old house, but the ghost becomes unhappy when the new owners play tricks on him! In the other stories, we meet Lord Arthur Savile, who has to murder someone before he can get married, and we discover the secret life of beautiful Lady Alroy.



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L. P. Hartley

It is the summer of 1900, and Leo is staying with his friend Marcus. Leo likes Marcus's beautiful older sister very much. To make her happy, he becomes a secret messenger for her and a local farmer. But then he realizes what their messages are about, and his whole life begins to change.

The Merchant of Venice

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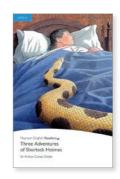
Bassanio wants to get married. He has no money and debts. He asks his friend Antonio for a loan, but Antonio is waiting for his ships to return. Until then, he has nothing to lend. To help Bassanio, he borrows money from a moneylender. If Antonio cannot repay the loan in three months, the moneylender will cut a pound of flesh from his body. Will Antonio be able to repay the loan? Or will he die?



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The Time Machine

H. G. Wells

The Time Traveller has built a time machine and gone to the future to the year 802,701. He expects to find a better world with highly-intelligent people and great inventions. Instead, he finds that people have become weak, child-like creatures. They dance and sing and wear flowers. They seem happy, but why are they so frightened of the dark? Who or what has taken his time machine? Will the Time Traveller ever be able to return to the present?

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Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

Sherlock Holmes is a great detective. There are few cases that he cannot solve. In these three stories we meet a young woman who is terrified of a mysterious 'speckled band', a family who think that five orange pips are a sign of death, and a banker who believes that his son is a thief. But are things really as they seem?



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This collection brings together some of the best examples of late nineteenth and early twentieth-century short stories. Some are about ordinary people to whom something unexpected happens. Others are about unusual characters or events. Some of the stories are funny and others are more serious. All of them are highly enjoyable.

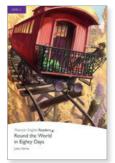


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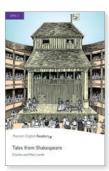
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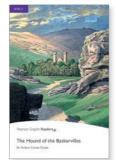
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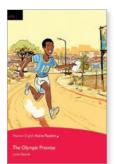
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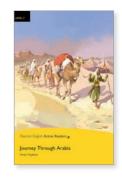
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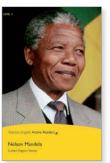
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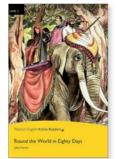
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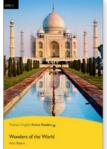
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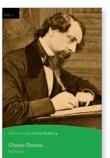


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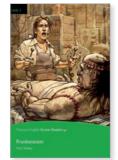
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