



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Guildford

The Way, The Truth, The Life

St Joseph's Book Bands 2022

Book band	Reading focus	Phonic focus	HRS words	Essential Letters and sounds phase
Lilac	First steps	N/A		
Pink 1	First steps I am starting to use letter sounds to read simple words.	s,a,t,p		2
Pink 2		i,n,m,d	I the no	2
Pink 3		g,o,c, k	Put of is	2
Pink 4		ck, e, u, r	To go into	2
Pink 5		h,b,f,l	Pull as his	2
Red 1	Early reader I can use letter sounds to read simple words and short sentences.	j,v,w,x	He she buses	3
Red 2		y,z,qu,ch	We me be	3
Red 3		sh, th, ng, nk	push	3
Red 4		ai, ee, igh, oa	Was her	3
Red 5		ar, ur, oo, or	My you they all are	3
Red 6		ow, oi, ear, air		3
Red 7		ure, er, ow (oa)	Ball tall	3



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Yellow Revision Level	Early reader - revision level I am revising sounds I have already learned and re-reading books I am familiar with.	Consolidation of Phase 2 and 3 sounds.	When what	2 and 3
Blue	Growing reader – I am starting to read more words and longer sentences with less help.	Phase 4 - consonant blends and common exception words.	said so have were out like some come there little one do children love	4
Green 1	Growing reader – I am starting to read more words and longer sentences with less help.	ay, ou, ie, ea	Oh their	5
Green 2	Growing reader – I am starting to read more words and longer sentences with less help.	oy, ir, ue, aw	People Mr Mrs	5
Green 3	Growing reader – I am starting to read more words and longer sentences with less help.	wh, ph, ew, oe	Your ask should	5
Green 4	Growing reader – I am starting to read more words and longer sentences with less help.	au, ey, a-e, e-e	Would could asked	5
Green 5	Growing reader – I am starting to read more words and longer sentences with less help.	i-e, o-e, u-e, c(s)	House mouse water want very	5



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Orange	Gaining confidence – I sometimes read by myself, and I can read lots of everyday words.			
Turquoise	Gaining confidence – I sometimes read by myself, and I can read lots of everyday words.			
Purple	Becoming independent – I can read and enjoy a whole story by myself.			
Gold	Becoming independent – I can read and enjoy a whole story by myself.			
White	Independent reader – I can read and understand longer chapter books by myself.			
Lime	Independent reader – I can read and understand longer chapter books by myself.			
Brown	Independent reader – I can read and understand longer chapter books by myself.			
Grey	Independent reader – I can read and understand longer chapter books by myself.			



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