



SUNSHINE CLASSICS

Using the Sunshine Classics Reading Program and Management System



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Sunshine Classics consists of 310 e-books with three to four activities for each. The e-books cover levels 1–30. The alphabet and high-frequency word revision activities can be selected for students at levels 1–8. The activities are in four categories focusing on the pillars for literacy success: phonic and word knowledge, comprehension, fluency and writing. The results of the students' work is saved to a database for viewing online and printing.

Alphabet:

Identifying the letter names, both upper- and lowercase; selecting the letter that makes the sound; identifying the word that begins with the sound; forming the letters, both upper- and lowercase.

Words:

Learning high-frequency words; letter blends and word families; rhyming words; contractions; compound words; labelling and captioning illustrations from the book; identifying verbs in the present and past tenses; common endings.

Thinking:

Comprehension of the book using sequencing; remaking sentences; punctuation; answering five-question quizzes about the book at levels 13–19.

Record:

Students read the e-book and save their recording. They can listen to it themselves and make more recordings if they wish. Each recording overwrites the previous attempt. They select **Save** for the teacher to listen to it in their own time.

Writing:

Students are given a writing task based on the story. They type directly into the activity and can print or save their work. (levels 20–30) These activities cover many text types.



Sunshine Classics in the Classroom

Sunshine Classics is a digital version of stories that have been continually in print for 25 years. They are perennial favourites with students and are testament to the skills of Joy Cowley and the other Sunshine authors who managed to write for both literacy skills and student engagement. **Sunshine Classics** digital provides support in the digital classroom – a place where teachers have the critical role of providing instruction to a diverse range of students.

Sunshine Classics digital can be used for:

- Shared reading
- Guided reading
- Independent reading
- Supplementary reading
- Special needs
- Home Reading
- Revision
- Struggling readers

Technology and print, often referred to as blended learning, makes learning exciting for students. Their attitudes to reading improve. Research shows that digital natives are motivated to achieve and struggling readers develop a more positive attitude to reading and writing. (<http://www.awardreadingonline.com/research.php>)



The management system

This software helps teachers become aware of the strengths and weaknesses of individual students. The profile of results can be saved to the student's digital portfolio or printed to take home and share with caregivers. Students become aware of their own strengths and weaknesses and can set their own learning goals. They start to talk about their learning, their successes and outcomes. The approach supports students taking ownership of their learning in literacy and using the allocated tests and revision activities to lift progress and achievement. It also allows for school districts to have an overview of the performances of their schools.

Differentiated learning

The program caters for the individual needs of every student. **Sunshine Classics** management system allows teachers to set up groups and assign students to these groups depending on their learning needs. These groups can then be assigned sets of relevant e-books or revision activities for guided, independent or home reading.

Partnership with home

As the program can be used on both tablets and computers, there is an ideal opportunity for the school to engage with the home by using **Sunshine Classics** for practice or home reading. All students' work can be tracked by the teacher as the student must use their individual login whether using a browser on a home computer or the free app on their tablet.

Skill activities

The activities associated with each e-book are structured to introduce letter recognition, followed by letter sounds and formation, parts of words (blends and word families), punctuation and sentence structure. Vocabulary acquisition is a vital part of literacy and is introduced in a structured way so that new high-frequency words are scaffolded by the story and repeated in a variety of settings.

Fluency

This can be developed with the recording and playback feature. The student records an oral reading. They can listen to it before saving it. The teacher then listens to it and evaluates the reading at his/her convenience.

The Sunshine Classics Website

To review all the titles in the program, go to **The Books** link on the top bar of the **Sunshine Classics** website, and select a level. Roll over a thumbnail to read a short description, the number of pages and words and the genre of each title. Teachers Notes are included at each level.

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Level One

The Birthday Cake
Story by Jill Gillingham
Illustrated by Jane Webb

The Birthday Cake
This is a story about a birthday cake that is very special. It is a story about a birthday cake that is very special. It is a story about a birthday cake that is very special.

Down to Town
Story by Jill Gillingham
Illustrated by Jane Webb

Down to Town
This is a story about a boy who goes down to town. It is a story about a boy who goes down to town. It is a story about a boy who goes down to town.

My Puppy
Story by Jill Gillingham
Illustrated by Jane Webb

My Puppy
This is a story about a boy who has a puppy. It is a story about a boy who has a puppy. It is a story about a boy who has a puppy.

The Big Race
Story by Jill Gillingham
Illustrated by Jane Webb

The Big Race
This is a story about a race that is very big. It is a story about a race that is very big. It is a story about a race that is very big.

Building with Blocks
Story by Jill Gillingham
Illustrated by Jane Webb

Building with Blocks
This is a story about a boy who builds with blocks. It is a story about a boy who builds with blocks. It is a story about a boy who builds with blocks.

The Barbeque
Story by Jill Gillingham
Illustrated by Jane Webb

The Barbeque
This is a story about a barbeque that is very special. It is a story about a barbeque that is very special. It is a story about a barbeque that is very special.

The Birthday Cake
Story by Jill Gillingham
Illustrated by Jane Webb

The Birthday Cake
This is a story about a birthday cake that is very special. It is a story about a birthday cake that is very special. It is a story about a birthday cake that is very special.

I Can Fly
Story by Jill Gillingham
Illustrated by Jane Webb

I Can Fly
This is a story about a boy who can fly. It is a story about a boy who can fly. It is a story about a boy who can fly.

Muggles Can Juggle
Story by Jill Gillingham
Illustrated by Jane Webb

Muggles Can Juggle
This is a story about a boy who can juggle. It is a story about a boy who can juggle. It is a story about a boy who can juggle.

I Am...
Story by Jill Gillingham
Illustrated by Jane Webb

I Am...
This is a story about a boy who is very special. It is a story about a boy who is very special. It is a story about a boy who is very special.

I Go, Go, Go
Story by Jill Gillingham
Illustrated by Jane Webb

I Go, Go, Go
This is a story about a boy who goes very fast. It is a story about a boy who goes very fast. It is a story about a boy who goes very fast.

At School
Story by Jill Gillingham
Illustrated by Jane Webb

At School
This is a story about a boy who goes to school. It is a story about a boy who goes to school. It is a story about a boy who goes to school.

My Family
Story by Jill Gillingham
Illustrated by Jane Webb

My Family
This is a story about a boy who has a family. It is a story about a boy who has a family. It is a story about a boy who has a family.

The Storm
Story by Jill Gillingham
Illustrated by Jane Webb

The Storm
This is a story about a storm that is very big. It is a story about a storm that is very big. It is a story about a storm that is very big.

Come On!
Story by Jill Gillingham
Illustrated by Jane Webb

Come On!
This is a story about a boy who is very brave. It is a story about a boy who is very brave. It is a story about a boy who is very brave.

[View Teachers Notes](#)

Level Two

Level Three

Level Four

Level Five

Level Six

To download the app for access to the program on a tablet, click on the link provided at the bottom of the **Sunshine Classics** home page.

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STUDENT LOGIN

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Getting Started

School Administration

1. The school administrator will receive an email when Sunshine Classics has been purchased.

Note: There is also a District Login option - this is only used if the product is purchased and administered at a district-wide level.

2. Go to the link provided: <http://bookshelf.sunshineclassics.com.au/admin>
3. Log in as Admin with the username and password supplied in the email.
4. Set up teachers/classes/students. This can be done manually or via Bulk Import.

4a. Manual Set-up (page 8)

- Add teachers
- Add classes
- Load each class and add students

4b. Bulk Import (page 7)

- Download the csv template from the login screen and follow the instructions on page 7 of this manual.

5. You or your teachers can now allocate work to the students.

6. To understand what the student's experience will be, download the free app from the iTunes store or Play Store onto your device and log in as a student to see the allocated work in their Library. Alternatively, you can log in on your PC or Mac with an HTML5 web browser at <http://bookshelf.sunshineclassics.com.au/students>

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**SUNSHINE CLASSICS**

Congratulations - your Sunshine Classics subscription is activated!

Your Admin Login

Username:
blablah@blabla.co.nz

Password:
[password](#)

Login Here as Admin

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For more information, go to: sunshineclassics.com.au or sunshineclassics.co.nz Fri 20/03/2015

Teacher Login >

School Admin Login >

District(s) Login >

Admin Login



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Password Hint

Sign In

[Forgotten Password?](#)

4b

 User Manual  Template for Bulk Import (.csv)

The administrator

The content of **Sunshine Classics** can be viewed, used and saved to a computer or mobile device, however the initial set up should be completed through a browser.

Desktop – Chrome 30 or later; Firefox 24 or later; Internet Explorer 10 or later; Safari 6.0 or later.

The student experience will be through a Sunshine app available free from iTunes app store and Google Play or through the website browser.

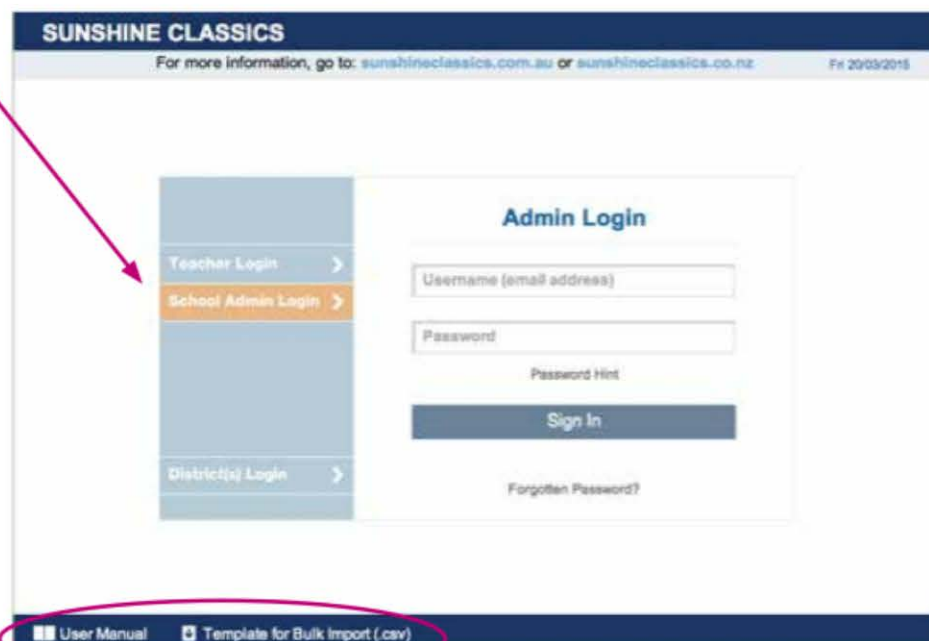
Technical specifications:

Tablets – Android 4.0 or later; iOS 6.0 or later.

The administrator is the person who sets up the teachers and can set up classes and students. The administrator has access to all data across all classes. They are able to bulk import data for the classes that are using the program during the life of the subscription.

They can recover data that may have been accidentally deleted by teachers. Once the subscription is purchased, the nominated administrator will be emailed the school's user name and password and other information relevant to the subscription.

Either log in using the link from your confirmation email or go to the **Sunshine Classics** website and click on the **Teacher & Admin Login** button and select **School Admin Login** to login with your user name (this will be an email address) and password. This will have been confirmed by email from Sunshine. Here there are links to the **User Manual pdf** and to the **Excel** template for a bulk import of school data.



There are two approaches you can take to set up class names, teachers and students.

1. Bulk Import Data

You will need all the students' details, the teachers' email addresses and the class names on an Excel file. This file must be configured so that columns are named **First Name**, **Last Name**, **User Name**, **Password**, **Role**, **Class** in order from left to right. A template for the file is provided on the **Sunshine Classics** website. Once the Excel file is ready, **Save As** a csv file (comma separated values).

You will need to allocate unique user names for each student and passwords (minimum of six characters and maximum of 16) to each student. A **global password** can be used for all students to make it easier for them to remember their login details. However, this is less secure. **Role** specifies whether the entry is a student or teacher. **The teacher's user name must be his/her email address.**

To import the data:

1. Click **Bulk Import Data**.

2. Click **Choose File**.

Browse to and select the .csv file and click **Open**.

3. Click **Continue**.

4. A verification screen displays an analysis of the import file. If there are errors in the import file, the total number will be displayed. Click **Print Errors** for a complete list of errors. You should cancel the import and fix these errors before repeating the import process. If you click **Continue** without fixing the errors, any rows marked with an error will not be imported. A count of student accounts is performed to align with the number of students in the subscription. If more than that number are uploaded, the subscription will cut the last names off the list.

5. Once you click **Continue**, the **Import Complete** screen displays the results of the import. Click **Done** to complete the import process.

Once complete, the teacher can print out each student's user name and password for their reference (see page 11).

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	First name	Last Name	User Name	Password	Role	Class
2	Bruce	Collins	bruce001	collins01	student	orange
3	Patricia	Fuller	patricia001	fuller001	student	orange
4	Satesh	Fermani	satesh01	fermani01	student	orange
5	Darryl	Ojala	darryl01	ojala01	student	orange
6	Dick	Brasell	dick001	brasell01	student	orange
7	Jordan	Martin	jordan02	martin10	student	orange
8	Kirsty	Dor	kirsty01	dor002	student	orange
9	Levi	Martin	levi03	martin05	student	orange
10	Kelly	Taylor	kelly@school.com	taylor08	teacher	orange
11						
12						
13						

2. Manually set up classes and teachers

1. Click on **Add/Edit Teachers**.

The screenshot shows the 'SUNSHINE CLASSICS - ADMIN' dashboard. At the top, it displays 'Subscription Type: 59 Students - Expiry Date: 24/03/2015' and 'Wed 12/03/2014'. Below this, there are several buttons: 'Add/Edit Teachers', 'Add Class', 'Edit Class (move class to new teacher etc)', 'Transfer Class', and 'Delete Classes'. A red arrow points to the 'Add/Edit Teachers' button. Below the buttons is a table with columns 'Class Name' and 'Teacher'. At the bottom, there is a navigation bar with links: 'Bulk Import Data', 'Student Logins', 'Teacher Logins', 'Global Password', 'Recover Data', and 'Edit Admin Details'.

2. Fill in the fields and click **Submit**.
The teacher's user name must be their email address.

The screenshot shows the 'Add Teacher' form. On the left, there is a list of 'All Teachers' with 'Kelly Taylor' selected. Below this list are buttons for 'View/Edit Teacher Details' and 'Delete Teacher X'. On the right, there are input fields for 'Teacher Name' (John Carter), 'Email Address' (jcarter@school.com), 'Password' (carter100), 'Re-enter Password' (carter100), and 'Password hint' (name and a century). A 'Submit' button is at the bottom right.

3. To allocate a class to the teacher, click on **Add Class**.
Write in the class name and choose the teacher from the drop-down menu.
Click **Submit**.

The screenshot shows the 'Add Class' form. There is a text input field for 'Class Name' with the value 'Green'. Below it is a dropdown menu for 'Teacher' with 'Kelly Taylor' and 'John Carter' as options. A 'Submit' button is at the bottom right.

Your subscription duration and the number of students is listed here.

When the subscription is about to expire, you will receive reminder emails.

Click **Recover Data** to recover data that has been accidentally deleted.

Click **Global Password** to change all passwords to a single universal password.

Click **Teacher Logins** to view and print all teacher login details.

Click **Student Logins** to view and print all student login details.

SUNSHINE CLASSICS - ADMIN Wix Primary Sign Out

Subscription Type: 69 Students - Expiry Date: 24/03/2015 View 12/03/2014

Buttons: Add/Edit Teachers, Add Class, Edit Class (move class to new teacher etc), Transfer Class, Delete Classes

Class Name	Teacher
<input type="checkbox"/> Green	John Carter
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> orange	Kelly Taylor

Buttons: Bulk Import Data, Student Logins, Teacher Logins, Global Password, Recover Data, Edit Admin Details

To recover data, select **Deleted Students** or **Deleted Classes** and select the one to be retrieved. Click **Recover Data**.

As administrator you can view all classes in the school and edit or transfer teachers and students from one class to another and delete classes.

Note: If you delete a class, students in that class should be transferred to another class beforehand or they will be deleted, too. They can, of course, be recovered (see above).

SUNSHINE CLASSICS - ADMIN Wix Primary Sign Out

Admin Home View 12/03/2014

Recover Data

Buttons: Deleted Students, Deleted Classes, Deleted Teacher

Name	Username	Class	Group	Level	Date Deleted	Action
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Recover Data

The teacher

To start organising **Sunshine Classics** for your classroom, go to the **Sunshine Classics** website and click on the **Teacher Login** button to login with your user name and password. The administrator will supply you with a password and confirm the email address.



The administrator may have already set up your class or you will need to add your class before typing in the students' details.

When adding students, choose unique and intuitive passwords, for example, the first name with a number after it for the user name and their last name with a number for the password (with a minimum of six characters).

- You can choose to assign a global password to all students. This is easier for them to remember, but is less secure.
- As you type, if the user name is not unique, you will be given suggested alternatives.
- Adding a level or Reading Group is optional.

As you add students, your class will look like this.

Name	Reading Group	Level	
Dick Breasell			View More
Jordan Martin			View More
Kirsty Dor			View More
Levi Martin			View More
Patricia Fuller			View More
Satish Parmani			View More

The student's login information needs to be printed and given to them for safe keeping.

- This can be done when adding each student, or by clicking **Edit/Transfer Student** and selecting **Print Student Login Details**.
- You could copy the parent/caregiver letter on page 21 of this manual and fill in the details for the student to take home.
- If you want to print all logins at once, there is a **Print Student Login Details** button on the bottom menu bar of your class list.

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Kelly Taylor Sign Out

Wed 12/03/2014

Edit Student

Student Name: Patricia Fuller

Username: patricia001

Password: fuller001

Current Reading Level: Status:

Reading Group: Remove From Group

Transfer Student

Teacher Name: Kelly Taylor-orange

Submit

Delete Student X

Print Student Login Details

Organise your Students

This class management page is where you organise your students. Once your students are loaded, you can

- transfer them between classes
- add a group or groups to organise your class into their reading levels or other categories, such as English language learners
- create and manage students by group
- assign and remove work to a group
- assign work to a selected student or students
- edit student details
- edit teacher details
- add or edit a class
- print the class login details from **Print Class List**

SUNSHINE CLASSICS - TEACHER

Kelly Taylor Sign Out

Wed 12/03/2014

My Classes Add/Edit Class

My Classes

Name	Reading Group	Level	View Info
Allen Teutlis			View Info
Casper Jones			View Info
Dick Bransell			View Info
Felicity George			View Info
Jordan Martin			View Info
Kirsty Orr			View Info
Levi Martin			View Info
Patricia Fuller			View Info
Penny Kidd			View Info
Saleesh Farmer			View Info

Assign/Remove Work Edit/Transfer Student **Print Class List** Edit Teacher

The best way to keep track of work assigned to students is to organise them into groups. You can add or remove students at any time. You will still be able to assign additional books to individual students within a group.

To **Add Group**, give it a name and click **Submit**. Note that when they open their **Library**, students will see the name of the group they are in.

SUNSHINE CLASSICS - TEACHER

Kelly Taylor Sign Out

Wed 12/03/2014

My Groups

New Group

English Learning

Submit

Note: When students open their Library, they will see the name of their group.

Select students to add to the group by ticking next to each one and **Add Student/s to Group**.

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Kelly Taylor Sign Out

Wed 12/03/2014

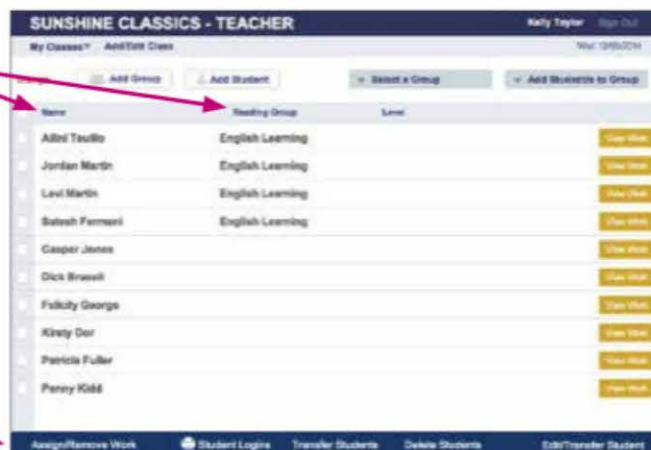
My Classes Add/Edit Class

My Classes

Name	Reading Group	Level	View Info
Allen Teutlis			View Info
Casper Jones			View Info
Dick Bransell			View Info
Felicity George			View Info
Jordan Martin			View Info
Kirsty Orr			View Info
Levi Martin			View Info
Patricia Fuller			View Info
Penny Kidd			View Info
Saleesh Farmer			View Info

Assign/Remove Work Student Logins Transfer Students Delete Students Edit/Transfer Student

To organise students alphabetically by first name, select **Name**, or to view groups, select **Reading Group**.



To assign work to the group, click on **Assign/Remove Work**.



Assign work to the group by selecting a level and then either **Select All** the e-books at that level or tick individual e-books. After every selection, you must select **Submit** to save your selection. This sends the e-books to the students' library for them to access when they log into their account either via the app on a tablet or via the website. You can edit this selection at any time. To exit, select your class name top left of the screen.

1. The selected level(s) are shown in the list by the book icon. If all e-books at a level are selected, the level button is a dark orange colour; if you have only selected one or two e-books, the level button is a light orange colour.
2. The options **List View** and **Cover View** show whichever layout suits you best. The **List View** lists the skills included in the extension activities for your reference.
3. You can click on the cover of any book or revision activity to review the contents. There is no limit to the number of e-books you can allocate to a group or an individual at any one time.
4. At levels 1–8 there is a side bar with revision activities to allocate to students. The data from these activities is not tracked.
5. If you scroll to the bottom of the screen, you are able to assign multiple levels at once (see below).



To review a student's work, go to the class list and select **View Work** next to the student name.

Completed e-books will have reading times and darker orange activity buttons. You will see the date assigned, the reading time and percentages for the activities. Select an activity's **View Details** button to view the results in more detail.

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My Classes: Add/Edit Class View: 12/03/2014

orange Add Group Add Student Select a Group Add Students to Group

Name	Reading Group	Level	View Work
Alli Teullo	English Learning		View Work
Jordan Martin	English Learning		View Work
Levi Martin	English Learning		View Work
Saleh Ferhani	English Learning		View Work
Casper Jones			View Work
Dick Braxell			View Work
Felicity George			View Work
Kirsty Dor			View Work
Patricia Fuller			View Work
Penny Kidd			View Work

Assign/Remove Work Student Logins Transfer Students Delete Students Edit/Transfer Student

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Work History for: Alli Teullo View Work History by Level

Title	Date Assigned	Reading Time	Activities	Recording
The White Level 5	12/03/2014	1 min 3 sec	Answer: 67% Read: 100% Thinking: 100%	Error: Accuracy: % Comments:
We and My Dog Level 5	12/03/2014	2 sec	Answer: % Read: % Thinking: %	Error: Accuracy: % Comments:
My Pony Movie Level 5	12/03/2014	2 sec	Answer: % Read: % Thinking: %	Error: Accuracy: % Comments:

Print Student Work Print All Work History

Results of a **Words** Activity

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charynclass Work History for: Judy Stevenson Words Activity: Crossing the Road

Back

Make five words.

cr

cross
crunch
crack
ot
it
crossing
crash

Results of a **Thinking** Activity

SUNSHINE CLASSICS - TEACHER

charynclass Work History for: Judy Stevenson Thinking Activity: Crossing the Road

Back

Score	Question	Question Type	Correct Response	Student Response
✓	1	Multiple choice	C	C
✓	2	Multiple choice	B	B
✓	3	Multiple choice	B	B
✓	4	Select the word	shouted	shouted
✓	5	Multiple choice	A	A

The Recording Activity

To listen to the Record activity, select the play arrow. Use the comments box to note any errors. Insert the number of errors into the **Errors** box to calculate the student's accuracy.

To use a printed reading record, click on the **Print** button.

The student's results for the e-books are collated in their Work History. The **Currently Assigned Work** is viewable and can be printed. Click on **Print Student Work**.

To view all current and previously assigned work by level, go to **View Work History by Level** (top right).

Title	Date Assigned	Reading Time	Activities	Recording
The Birthday Cake Level 1	01/01/2014	0:00	Alphabet % Word % Punctuation % Tracking %	Word Accuracy % Comprehension %
Down in Town Level 1	01/01/2014	0:00	Alphabet % Word % Punctuation % Tracking %	Word Accuracy % Comprehension %
My Puppy Level 1	01/01/2014	0:00	Alphabet % Word % Punctuation % Tracking %	Word Accuracy % Comprehension %

You can print the entire work history by clicking on **Print All Work History**.

There are two ways a student can access Sunshine Classics:

- on a computer by going to the **Sunshine Classics** website and clicking on **Student Login**.

- on a mobile device using the free **Sunshine Classics** app.



The free **Sunshine Classics** app needs to be downloaded for their devices from the iTunes App store for an iPad or Google Play Store for an Android. There are links to these on the **Sunshine Classics** home page.

When the student logs in with their unique user name and password, they go directly to their **Library**. They select an e-book and tap the arrow to download the e-book. They tap on the cover of the book to open it. The download time varies depending on the wi-fi connection and bandwidth. If students bring their own devices to school, they can download e-books to work offline but they should not log out if they do. Their data scores will be fed back to the database when they next connect to the internet.

If the student enters an incorrect user name or password, the teacher or the administrator can find their user names and passwords for them.

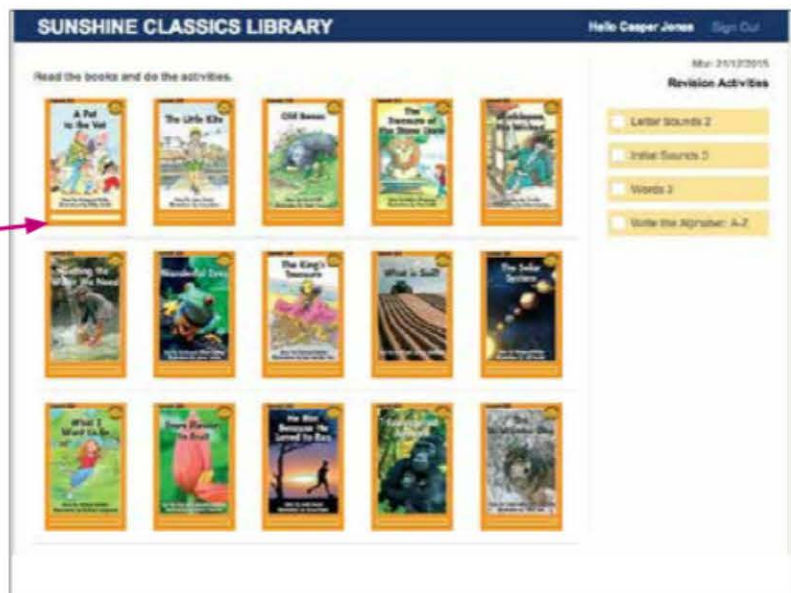
In the student library, the e-books are labelled by level on the covers. The titles display in ascending order from low to high.

Note: To make the Library more manageable for a student or group of students, it is recommended that assigned work is removed after it is completed.

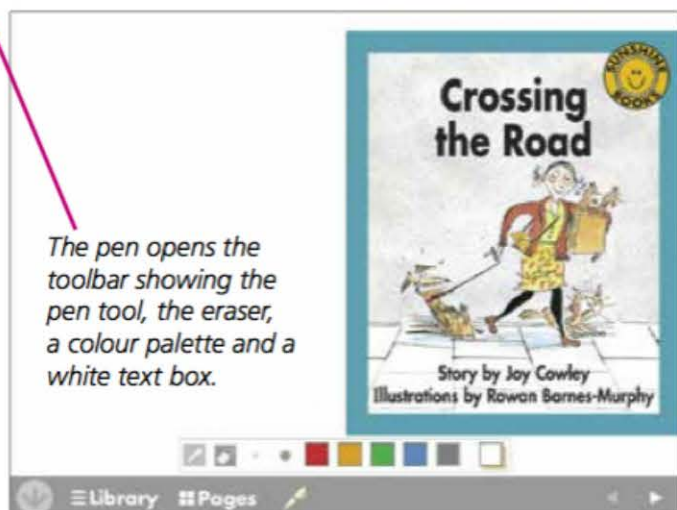
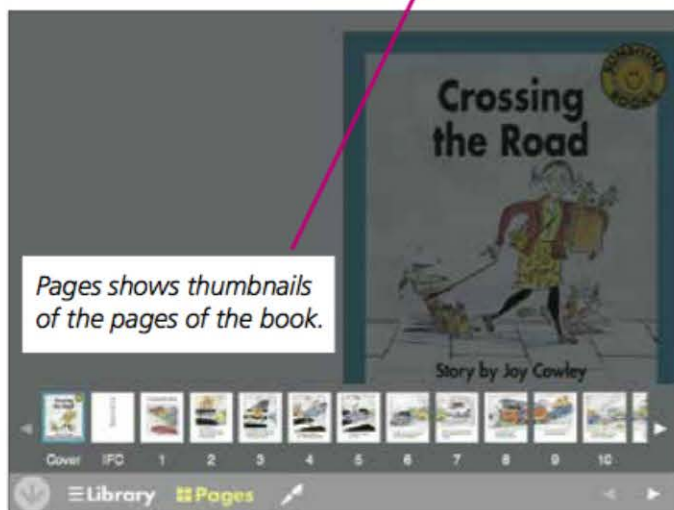
Tap or click the title to download.

The progress bar below each title indicates the students' progression through the activities.

When the progress bar is solid yellow, this indicates the book and activities have been completed.



When the e-book has downloaded, students select the text to hear it read or read it themselves and then select the grey arrow on the right to move to the next page.



The time the student takes to read the e-book is approximate. It is calculated from when they reach the last page and click on an activity.

On the **Activities** page there are three or four activities associated with the e-book. (Alphabet activities are at levels 1–8 only.)

After each activity is saved, the student will see a message stating that the data has been saved successfully.


Note: All activities that follow on from the books are saved, but activities from the "Revision Activities" list are not saved.

The Alphabet activities all follow a similar format. They consist of:

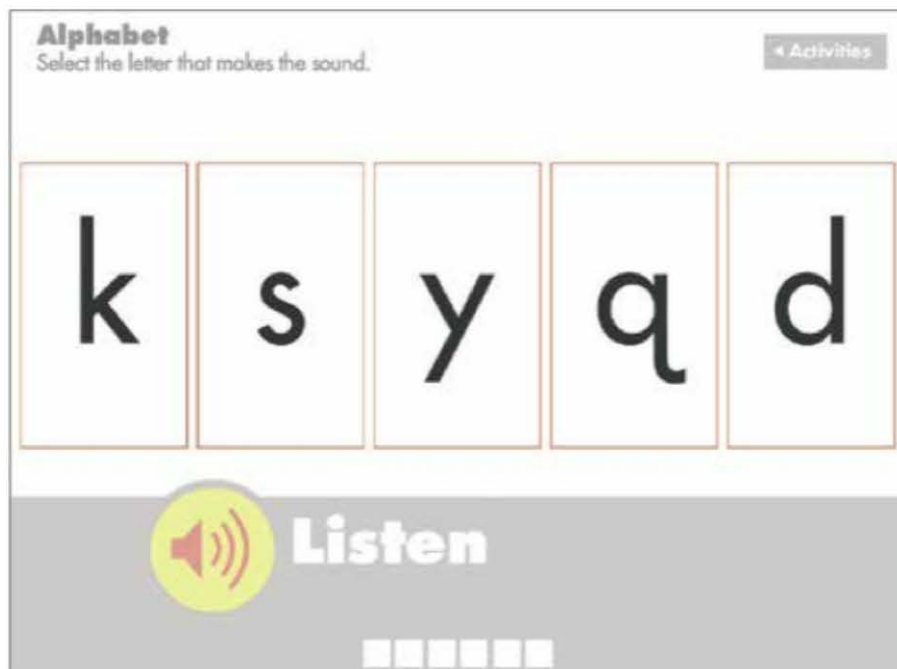
- Write the Alphabet
- Letter Names
- Letter Sounds
- Initial Sounds

This **Alphabet** activity requires students to select the letter they hear. When the activity is completed, they **Save** to send their results to the database.

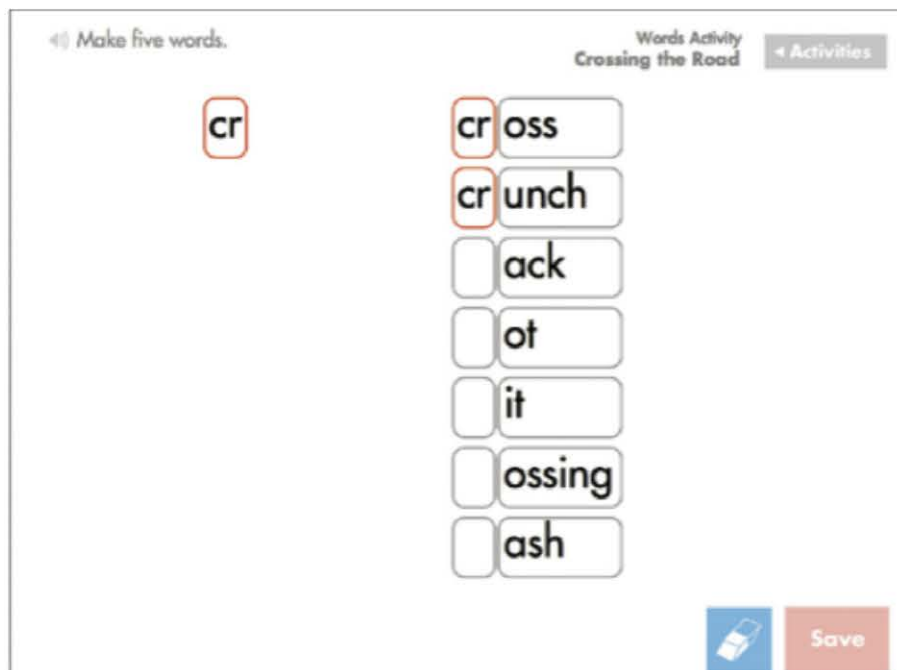
After completing the **Words** activity, they select **Save** to save the data. If they tap on the eraser tool, this undoes all their work. They will need to start again.



The screenshot shows a story page with an illustration of Mrs Maggie Mox, a cat, a dog, and two chickens. The text reads: "Mrs Maggie Mox put on her glasses. 'Look at that accident!' said Mrs Maggie Mox to her cat and her dog and two chickens in a box. 16". To the right is an "Activities" menu with buttons for "Go to Words", "Thinking", "Record", and "Back to Library". At the bottom is a navigation bar with "Library", "Pages", and navigation arrows.



The screenshot shows the "Alphabet" activity interface. It has a title "Alphabet" and a subtitle "Select the letter that makes the sound." with an "Activities" button. Below are five boxes containing the letters k, s, y, q, and d. At the bottom is a "Listen" button with a speaker icon and a progress bar.



The screenshot shows the "Words" activity interface. It has a title "Words Activity" and a subtitle "Crossing the Road" with an "Activities" button. Below is a prompt "Make five words." and a grid of letter tiles. The tiles are arranged as follows: "cr" in a box, "cr" in a box, "oss", "unch", "ack", "ot", "it", "ossing", and "ash". At the bottom right is a "Save" button.

The **Thinking** Activity at levels 13–19 is a quiz that explores the student's comprehension of the e-book. The answer they select is highlighted in red. They can change their answer but not once they have selected **Next**.

The **Record** Activity allows students to record their reading of all or part of the text. They select **Go** and move through the e-book using the red arrow bottom right. When the red arrow disappears, they have reached the end of the task.

They finish reading and select **Stop** to end their recording. If they want to listen to their recording, they select the speaker icon and when they have finished, they select **Save**. They can redo the reading but this will overwrite the previous one when saved.

Read the question and choose the correct answer.

Thinking Activity
Crossing the Road

Activities

1. Who caused the accident?

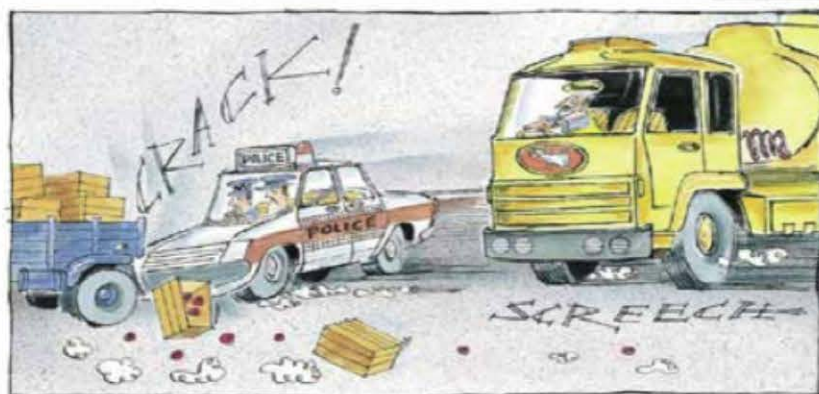
- A. the chickens
- B. the dog
- C. Mrs Maggie Mox

Crossing the Road



Start Recording

GO



The traffic office
the truck with to

Stop recording?

anker ran into
ic officers.

Yes

No

STOP

Texts at the higher levels

At levels 20–30 there are chapter books with bridging titles (24 pages) through to more extensive texts (48 pages). The range of content and increasing text complexity is matched perfectly for students as they develop greater independence in their reading.

There are also many more non-fiction texts which include an interesting selection of topics. Many titles are drawn from the highly successful Sunshine Science series. Information is presented in a way to make it easily accessible for all students.

The **Writing** activity at levels 20-30 provides opportunities for students to write about their reading and to innovate on the text. They can print or save their work

Do the following writing activity.

Writing Activity
Feathers and Flight

Write an explanation about how feathers are used and how birds look after them.

Birds have feathers and they are very useful. Feathers keep birds warm from when they are babies and have down to when they are adults and they need feathers to fly. Some birds use feathers to find a mate. Some birds put oil on their feathers so they don't get wet.

Print

Save

Activities

Read Book

The student

The student can access **Sunshine Classics** from a mobile device using the free **Sunshine Classics** app.



The student can also access the program from a browser by going to the **Sunshine Classics** website and clicking on **Student Login**.



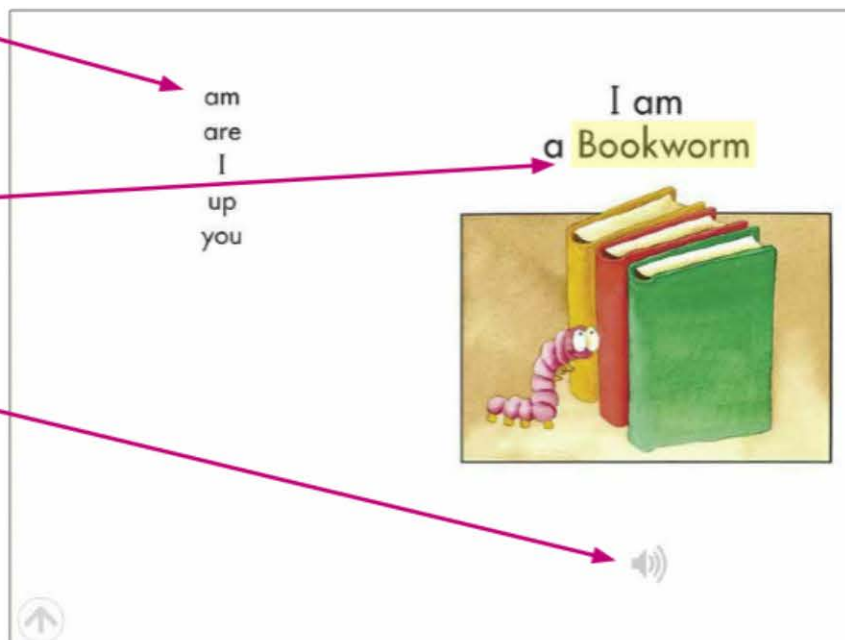
Once the student has completed work on an e-book, the progress bar shows yellow in their **Library** to show that all the tasks have been completed and saved to their **Work History**. The e-book isn't locked. The student can go in again and redo the work which will overwrite data. The e-book stays in their library until the teacher deselects it.



All e-books have the featured high-frequency words listed opposite the title page. These are read out when tapped. There are five words for levels 1–12 and 10 words for levels 13–19.

To hear an individual word read, they tap on the word. Words highlight as here.

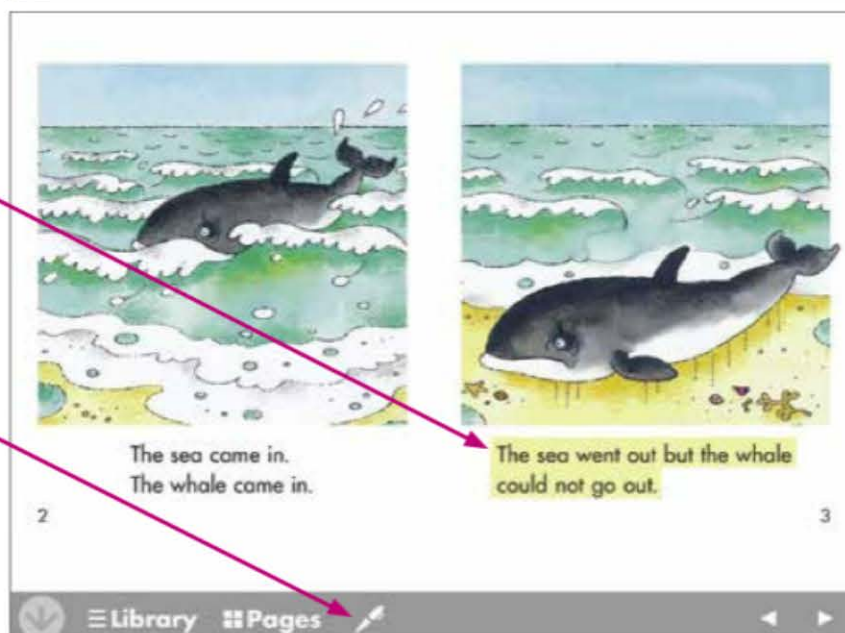
To listen to the text at levels 1–5, the student taps on the speaker icon.



At levels 6–19, the student taps on words on the screen to hear the text on the page read. They will highlight as shown here.

Toolbar

The tools on the toolbar can be used in many ways depending on whether the e-book is for shared, guided or independent reading. They are not saved when the student returns to their library.



The pen tool

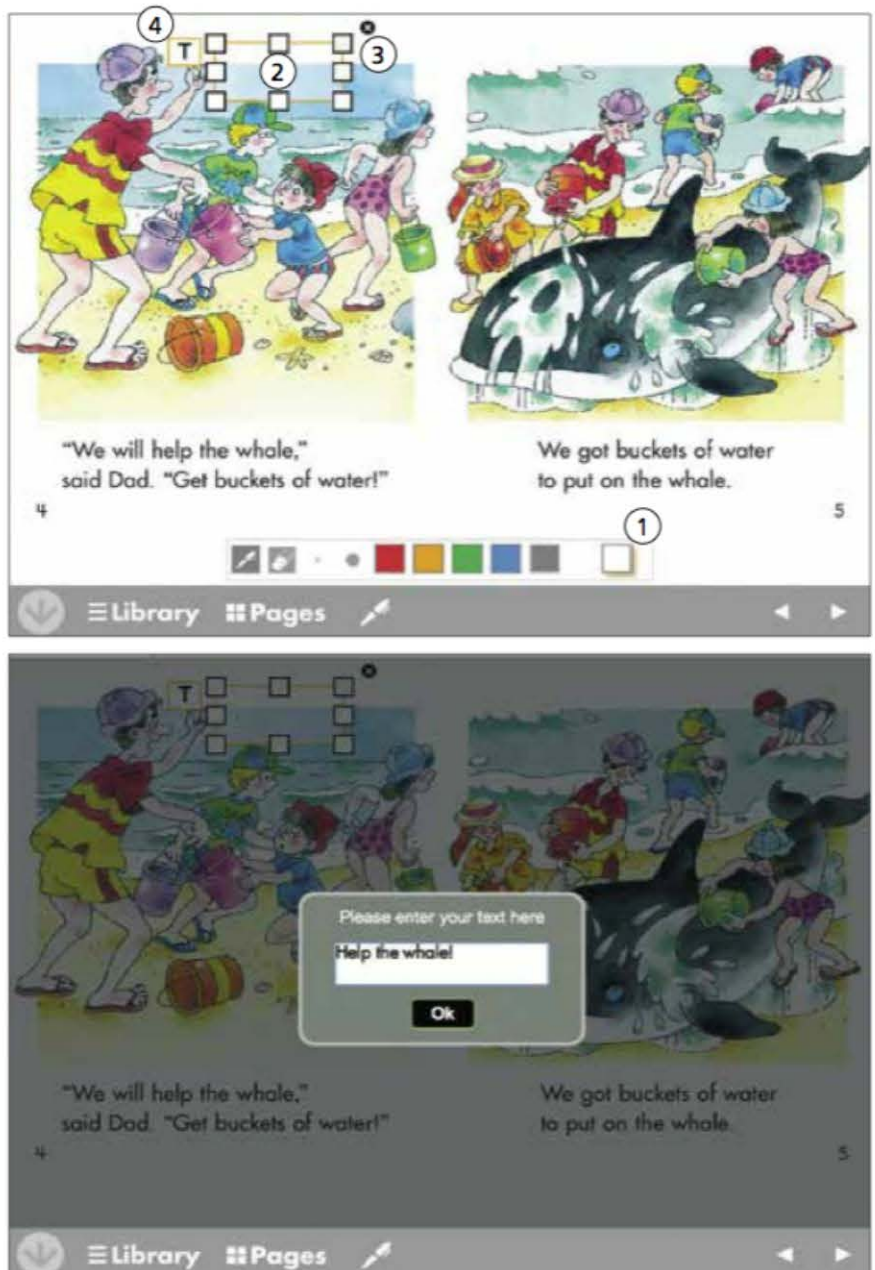
This provides options of thick or thin and five different colours. Select the tool, the thickness and colour. Here some nouns on the page are underlined. The eraser rubs away any unwanted lines.



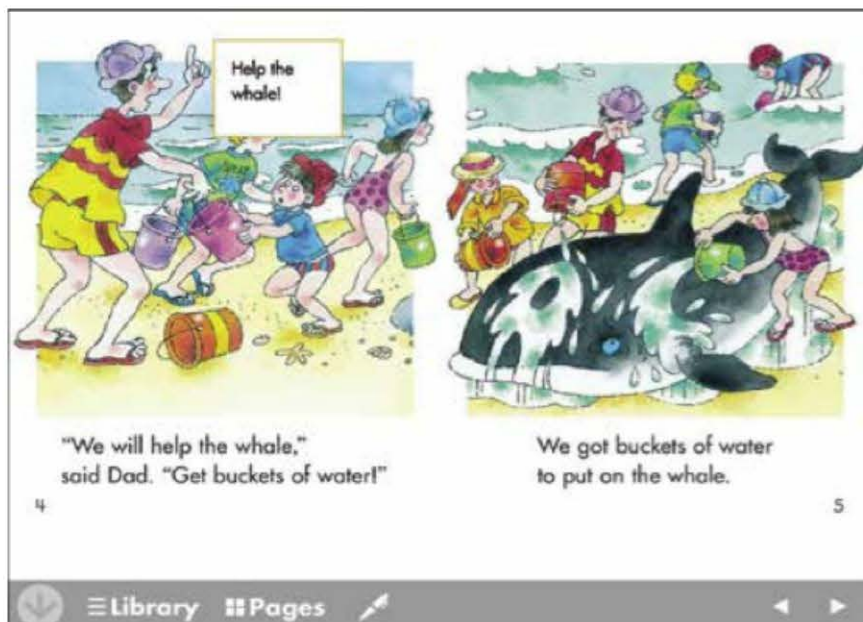
The white box

To use the white text box:

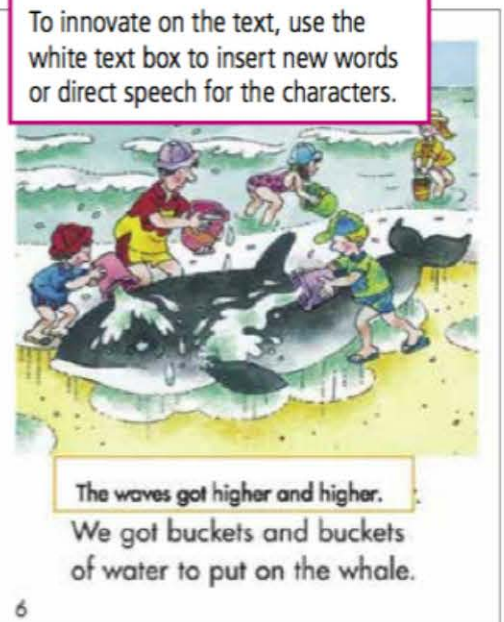
1. Select the box and then tap on the screen where it is to go – on an illustration or white space, not on the text as this will activate the reading.
2. Once the text box has been placed, it can be moved around the page and placed anywhere, including over the text of the story.
3. The text box can be made larger or smaller using the corner squares and deleted using the cross in the top right corner.
4. To add text, select the **T** at the top left corner of the box and type into the field. Select **OK** when finished.



To remove all the sizing tools, select anywhere inside the white text box. To change the shape of the box or the text, just select inside the box again and the sizing tools will reappear.



To innovate on the text, use the white text box to insert new words or direct speech for the characters.



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