

## Barrington Stoke:

Barrington Stoke specialise in books for struggling, reluctant and dyslexic readers.

- ◆ Specially designed font, proven to ensure a smooth read.
- ◆ Cream or off-white paper, which is easier to read than black print on white.
- ◆ Paragraphs are never too long and dialogue is clearly marked.
- ◆ Uneven lines help the reader keep his or her place
- ◆ Text size and line spacing are carefully calculated and tested for the clearest and most readable layout.
- ◆ All books have chapters, to provide lots of natural breaks for readers.

Barrington Stoke has a number of different series. Below is an outline of the various ages and interest levels they are aimed at.

Series	Reading Age	Interest Age
Go!	6	11+
Solo	6.5	10-14
4u2read	7	9-12
Gr8reads	7	12+
Novels 9-12	8	9-12
Reloaded (Myths & retellings)	8	10-14
FYI (Fiction with facts)	8	10-14
Reality Check (true stories)	8	10-14
Novels 12+	8	12+

# Help with reading

Information on series of books to assist struggling and reluctant readers



Many children of all ages have difficulty with reading. There are a number of books designed specifically to help struggling, reluctant or dyslexic readers. This guide gives a short outline to some of the series available. The majority of these series are *hi-lo* books: high interest reading material but with a lower reading level.

There are a number of websites available that give useful tips on helping your child with reading. Here are a few as a starting point:

- ◆ <http://www.dyslexia.ie/information/information-for-parents/how-parents-can-help/>
- ◆ <http://www.bdadyslexia.org.uk/about-dyslexia/parents/reading-audio-books-and-revision-guides.html>
- ◆ <http://www.barringtonstoke.co.uk/content.asp?>



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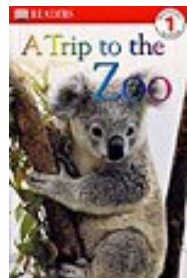
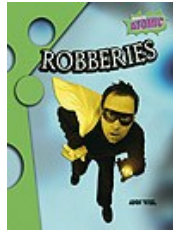
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## Raintree Press

Colourful, highly appealing design and engaging text. The books are high-interest nonfiction aimed to motivate reluctant readers with text that is related directly and simply to the images.

- ◆ Atomic: Reading Age: 8+ Interest Age: 8-11
- ◆ Fusion: Reading Age: 7 Interest Age: 9-12



### DK Readers:

a multi-level reading programme guaranteed to capture children's interest while developing their reading skills and general knowledge. The content of each book revolves around a certain theme or story. This series is intended for children between the ages of 3 and 9 and is divided into the following reading levels:

#### 1 Beginning to read:

- ◆ Word repetition, limited vocabulary and simple sentences
- ◆ Picture dictionary boxes

#### 2 Beginning to read alone:

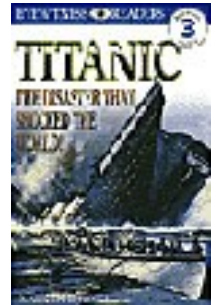
- ◆ Longer sentences and increased vocabulary
- ◆ Information boxes full of extra fun facts

### 3 Reading alone:

- ◆ More complex sentence structure
- ◆ Information boxes and alphabetical glossary

### 4 Proficient readers:

- ◆ Rich vocabulary and challenging sentence structure
- ◆ Additional information and alphabetical glossary



### Skyracer Series:

Individual chapter books, action packed guided reading series with engaging text and colour illustrations.

Skyracer Yellow: 3rd Class  
Skyracer Blue: 4th Class  
Skyracer Purple: 5<sup>th</sup> Class  
Skyracer Green: 6th Class

### Livewire:

These books provide teenagers/adult interest level fiction and non-fiction for those with reading ages below 10, or adult students learning English as a second language. They are specifically designed to sustain the interest of teenage and adult readers.

