

1 Life changes

READING

1 Read the text quickly. What is it about?

- A How to publish your own book
- B A young author and her first book
- C The reason behind the increase in e-book sales

Publish it yourself

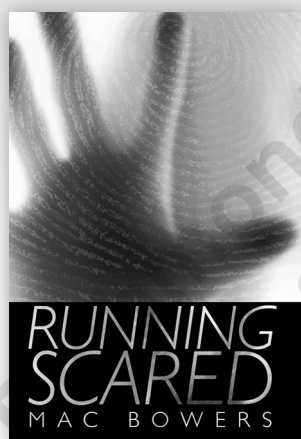
With easier access to technology, more and more people are publishing their own books and 'self-publishing' is becoming popular with people of all ages, including teenagers.

Mac Bowers lives in Pennsylvania with her father, her brother and sister and her two dogs. Like any other teenager, she goes to school during the day but at nights and in her spare time she writes books. Her dad suggested that Mac publish her book. He gave her some money to help her and he's very proud of her achievements.

Published in 2012, Mac's first book is called *Running Scared* and critics of all ages have praised it. It tells the story of a sixteen-year-old American girl called Morgan Casey. Morgan moves from a big city in California to live in a very small community in Pennsylvania. Morgan knows she needs to make new friends but she is worried about something. Morgan has a secret that she doesn't want to share with anyone.

On her first day at her new high school Morgan meets Charlie. Charlie is a lively, talkative and friendly boy and they soon become good friends. Charlie talks to Morgan a lot and eventually she tells Charlie her secret in the hope that he can help her escape her past. However, she regrets it immediately. It's a tense story that keeps you guessing to the very end.

Are you feeling inspired? Do you think you can write a good story? If so, we recommend that you try self-publishing, we can vouch for it! But remember ... you'll probably need some money!



2 Read the text. Write the names of the people and characters.

Who ...

- 1 is a young author? _____
- 2 moves to Pennsylvania? _____
- 3 has a secret? _____
- 4 is chatty and friendly? _____

3 Read the text again and answer the questions.

- 1 According to the text, why are more people publishing their own books?

- 2 When does Mac Bowers write?

- 3 Where did Morgan Casey use to live?

- 4 When does Morgan meet Charlie?

- 5 How does Morgan feel when she tells Charlie her secret?

4 Answer the questions with your own opinions.

- 1 What do you think Morgan's secret is?

- 2 Would you like to read this book? Why / Why not?

WORD ZONE
EXTRA

Verbs to say things are good

5 Search the text for three more words related with recommendations.

- 1 *recommend*
- 2 s _____
- 3 p _____
- 4 v _____ f _____

6 Write recommendations for these things. Use a verb from exercise 5.

- 1 a book

- 2 a website

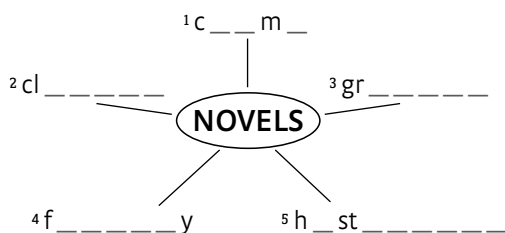
- 3 a gadget

- 4 a DVD

VOCABULARY

Book review

7 Complete the types of novel.



8 Match the book genres in the box to the correct definition.

adventure story autobiography biography horror story
non-fiction book romance science fiction story

- 1 a book a person writes about himself or herself _____
- 2 a story that is set in the future, sometimes in space or on another planet _____
- 3 a book about places or events that are real _____
- 4 a story about love _____
- 5 a scary or frightening story that can be true or invented _____
- 6 a book about a person's life that another person writes _____
- 7 a story that has dangerous, exciting, unusual and interesting events _____

9 Choose two book genres from exercises 7 and 8 and write sentences about those genres. Use the words below or your own ideas.

- I enjoy / like / love / don't like / hate ...
- My favourite ... book is ...
- I like / don't like ... because ...
- I would / wouldn't recommend ... to a friend because ...

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

Words connected to books

10 Look at the picture. Label the picture with the correct words from the box. Use a dictionary to help you if necessary.

author back cover blurb ebook front cover
hardback paperback publisher spine

Running Scared

Available in the following formats:

1 _____ €15	2 _____ €8	3 _____ €5
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Product details

Number of pages: 112

8 _____ : iUniverse.com (February 6, 2012)

9 _____ : Mac Bowers

ISBN: 978-1462083824

11 Circle the correct words.

- 1 The design of that **front cover** / **spine** doesn't make me want to read the book.
- 2 I always read the **blurb** / **publisher** on the back of a book before I buy a book.
- 3 I prefer reading **back cover** / **paperback** books.
- 4 My grandmother's got an **ebook** / **an author**. Her eyesight isn't very good, so she can read more easily with it.
- 5 My favourite **author** / **blurb** is J.K. Rowling. I think she's amazing.
- 6 KidPub Press is a **publisher** / **an author** that publishes books by children and young writers.
- 7 **Front cover** / **Hardback** versions of books are usually published before any other version and cost more.
- 8 This is a new book. Who is the **ebook** / **publisher**?
- 9 The **spine** / **blurb** of a book usually has the title, the author and the publisher.

12 Write sentences using three of the words in exercise 10.

GRAMMAR

Present tense review

- 1 Complete the dialogue with the present simple or present continuous form of the verbs.



Jody: Hi Leon. It's Jody. How are you?

Leon: Hi Jody! Good, thanks.

Jody: What ¹ _____ you _____
(do) just now?

Leon: I ² _____ (talk) to you!

Jody: Ha, ha, very funny! ³ _____ you
_____ (study)?

Leon: No. I ⁴ _____ (do) exercise, believe it or not!

Jody: Leon exercising, no way!

Leon: Yes, it's true, honest! Anyway, what
⁵ _____ you _____ (want)?

Jody: I'm so bored! I ⁶ _____ (sit) in my
room. I ⁷ _____ (not revise), but my
parents think I am. ⁸ _____ you
_____ (fancy) coming into town?

Leon: Yeah, sure.

Jody: Great! Let's meet at Café Spuntini in about an hour!

Leon: Cool.

Jody: See you there!

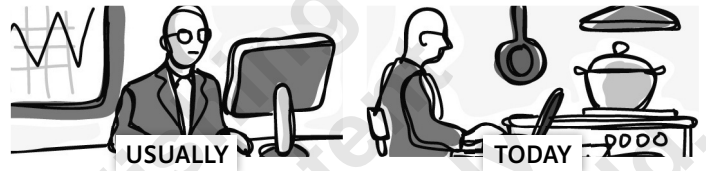
- 2 Complete the sentences with the present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in the box.

do / chat get up / leave listen / try
not buy / borrow not like / love not study / watch

- I _____ at 7am every morning, and I always _____ for school at 7.45am.
- My sister _____ to some very loud music at the moment. And I _____ to revise!
- I _____ horror stories, but I _____ adventure books.
- They _____ for the exam – they _____ a DVD.
- What _____ you _____ just now? _____ you _____ to your friends?
- My best friend _____ books. He always _____ them from the library.

- 3 Look at the pictures. Write sentences with the verbs in the box in the present simple and the present continuous.

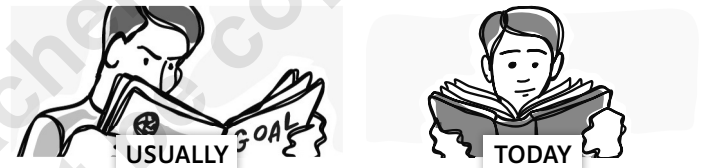
cycle play read work



- 1 Mr Stevens *usually works in an office, but today* _____



- 2 Jim and Sal _____



- 3 Kyle _____

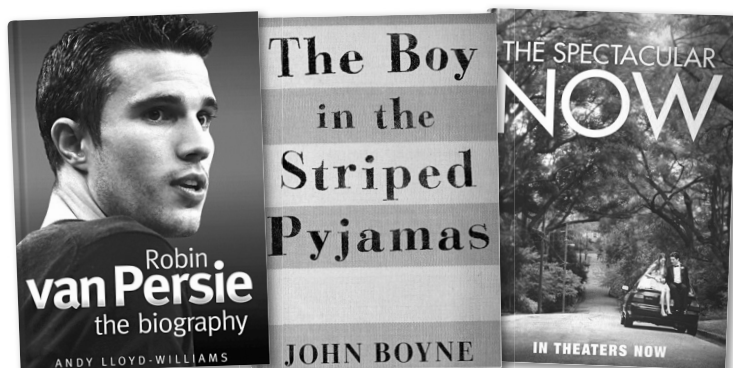


- 4 Diana _____

- 4 Complete the blog with the present simple or present continuous form of the verb in brackets.

What ¹ _____ you _____
(do) at the moment? ² _____ you
_____ (watch) TV, surfing the internet,
chatting to your friends on Facebook? I ³ _____
(not do) any of those things. I ⁴ _____ (write)
a graphic novel. It ⁵ _____ (take) place in an
American school, and it ⁶ _____ (tell) the
story of a group of friends. I ⁷ _____
(not reveal) any more details about the characters or the
plot now. I ⁸ _____ (draw) all the illustrations
myself, and I ⁹ _____ (publish) it myself too!
Watch this space ☺

LISTENING



1 Match the words with their definitions. Use the dictionary if you need to.

- 1 housing estate
- 2 being obsessed with
- 3 creativity
- 4 protagonist
- 5 copies
- 6 publication date
- 7 course
- 8 a long way off

- A when a book comes out
- B the main character in a book or film
- C far in the future
- D a group of houses built in the same place at the same time
- E the art of being innovative and original
- F thinking about something all the time
- G the number of books printed
- H lessons you take regularly

2 Listen to five speakers. Answer the questions.

- 1 What does Gregor do every summer?

- 2 What is Matt passionate about?

- 3 What genre is Scarlett's favourite novel?

- 4 What is Sean's ideal job?

- 5 What does Erin find difficult?

3 Listen again and match the five speakers to statements A–F. There is one extra statement you do not need to use.

- 1 Gregor
- 2 Matt
- 3 Scarlett
- 4 Sean
- 5 Erin

- A It's a really good read.
- B It was written by an Irish author called John Boyne in 2006.
- C I didn't really enjoy it.
- D I meet other young people from all over Scotland.
- E The film didn't disappoint.
- F I suspect that's a long way off though!

TEST YOUR MEMORY!

4 Answer the questions.

- 1 What kind of books does Ian McLaren write?

- 2 Where are Ian McLaren's books set?

- 3 What does Matt learn about Robin van Persie's parents?

- 4 Who is the main character in Scarlett's favourite book?

- 5 What is Sean doing outside school to help him with his future career?

- 6 How does Erin describe the book and film she mentions?

5 Write these sentences in your language.

- 1 According to my friends, I'm just a bit obsessed with football!

- 2 I haven't seen you for ages!

- 3 The funny thing is, I don't think I'm a very good writer.

READING

- 1 Look at the photo and read the title. What do you think the text is about?
- 2 Read the text quickly and check your answer to exercise 1.

Micro libraries

A few years ago in the small village of Westbury-sub-Mendip in the south of England the mobile library stopped coming. For the local people, borrowing books became difficult since the nearest library was about six and a half kilometres away. At the same time, the traditional red public phone box in the village was about to be sold. However, one of the villagers came up with an unusual way to solve both problems: a village committee bought the phone box for £1, adapted it and turned it into a library.

The library has four shelves and local residents donate their own books. The principle is simple: bring a book to the library that you've read, leave it for someone else to read and borrow a book you haven't read. There's even a children's section: a small red plastic box on the phone box floor! It's open all year round, 24 hours a day.

The library has become a popular place with everyone in the village but it's been particularly good for the older residents because some of them have found it difficult to make the journey to the nearest library. When they've finished the book they're reading, they just walk down the road and have a look. There's always something new and interesting that someone's just left. They have to be



quick though because the good titles have usually gone within minutes!

There is a very fast turnover of books and the stock is constantly changing. The library has a wide range of genres suitable for everyone: biographies, crime novels, reference books. A local couple cleans the library and someone checks the stock on a regular basis. If books have stayed on the shelves for more than a few weeks, then they usually go to a local charity shop.

The UK is not the only place where micro libraries are popular. In the USA, Todd Bol set up the *The Little Free Library* after his mother died. She was a teacher and she loved books and was always keen to encourage other people to read more.

In honour of his mother, Todd built a small waterproof box at the end of his drive and put books in it for people to borrow and to leave a book of their own. His simple idea has now grown into an international community-based book project and it has developed in 36 different countries. There are now about 5 or 6,000 *Little Free Libraries* around the world which means that people have borrowed about 1,650,000 books since the scheme began in 2010.

Have a look around, maybe there's a micro library near you!

GLOSSARY

committee	a group of people responsible for making decisions
adapt	change something to use in a different way
donate	give things you don't need to a person or an organization
popular	that a lot of people like
stock	the number of things available to borrow, sell or buy

VOCABULARY

Things we read

3 Read the text again quickly. Match the numbers to the facts.

1 6.5 2 24 3 36 4 5–6,000 5 1,650,000

- A hours a day the phone box library is open —
 B *Little Free Libraries* around the world —
 C books people have borrowed from *Little Free Libraries* —
 D distance in kilometres that the nearest traditional library is from Westbury-sub-Mendip —
 E countries with *Little Free Libraries* —

4 Choose the correct answers.

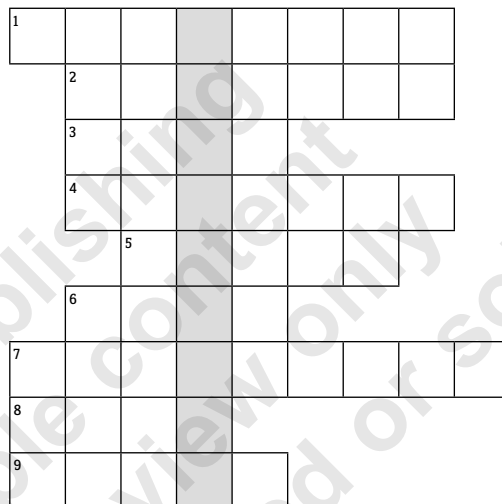
- 1 The villagers in Westbury-sub-Mendip have ...
 A had to ask for special permission to change a phone box into a library.
 B converted an old phone box into their village library.
 C worked with their local library to adapt it to suit their needs.
- 2 The principle behind the micro library in Westbury-sub-Mendip is that ...
 A local people buy and sell their unwanted books.
 B the library only opens during the day.
 C people leave books they don't want and borrow books other people leave.
- 3 The library is helping older residents because ...
 A it was hard for some of them to get to the nearest library.
 B it only takes them a few minutes to find the books they need.
 C none of them were able to travel to the nearest library.
- 4 Local people run the library by ...
 A cleaning it and putting up new shelves as necessary.
 B keeping it clean, checking the books and removing less popular titles on a regular basis.
 C checking stock levels and buying new books from charity shops if they need to.
- 5 Todd Bol started *The Little Free Library* ...
 A with his mother before she died.
 B in order to encourage more people to read books.
 C to do something in memory of his mother.
- 6 *The Little Free Library* is ...
 A just beginning to expand outside the USA.
 B relatively successful in other parts of the world.
 C now a huge success in different parts of the world.

5 Answer the questions.

- 1 What do you think of the idea of a micro library?

- 2 Would a micro library be a good idea in your neighbourhood? Why / Why not?

6 Complete the puzzle with the correct words. Find the hidden word.



- 1 A booklet that gives us information about events, holiday packages etc.
 2 A drawing or scheme to explain the way something works.
 3 A short written message, usually with information for someone absent.
 4 A piece of paper with information in it.
 5 The information on the back cover of a book.
 6 A website where people write about personal things.
 7 Piece of paper or booklet with information about an event.
 8 The paper or card in a restaurant that tells you about the food and drink there.
 9 A piece of paper usually with an advertisement on it.

7 Look back at **Verb Zone** in your Student's Book and write down the five multi-part verbs from Unit 1.

8 Rewrite the sentences with multi-part verbs from exercise 7.

- 1 Her new novel is so good I can't stop reading it.

- 2 My little brother wants to be a writer when he is an adult.

- 3 I looked at that new music magazine very quickly yesterday. It looks great!

- 4 His mother looked after him and his brother alone.

- 5 That book gets better if you keep reading.

GRAMMAR

Present perfect simple review

1 Write questions with *How long* and the present perfect.

- 1 you / have / a mobile phone
_____?
- 2 your parents / be / married
_____?
- 3 you / have / the same English teacher
_____?
- 4 Isabel / work / in the newsagent's
_____?
- 5 they / live / in New York
_____?

2 Answer the questions in exercise 1. Use the information in brackets and *for* or *since*.

- 1 (my birthday)

- 2 (25 years)

- 3 (last year)

- 4 (six months)

- 5 (2010)

3 Complete the blog with the present perfect form of the verbs and the other words in the box.

already tell be do for just
not see read since upload yet

Hi Lexie,

Well, I ¹ _____ on holiday now
² _____ three days and I'm still bored!
 What ³ _____ I _____
 so far? Well, I ⁴ _____ five books
⁵ _____ Monday, when we got here. I can
 only recommend three of them – two were really bad!
 I ⁶ _____ any other teenagers
⁷ _____! Very depressing ☹
 I ⁸ _____ ⁹ _____
¹⁰ _____ some photos of this place onto my
 blog, if you want to take a look. I ¹¹ _____
¹² _____ ¹³ _____ my parents
 I'm not coming back here next year – no way!
 Got to go – my mum is calling me (again!).

See you next week,
 Sasha

4 Write two sentences for each picture. Use the prompts and *just*, *yet* and *already*.

1 A (Jim / come back / holiday)

B (unpack / rucksack)



2 A (Sophie / read / 100 pages today)

B (finish / book)



3 A (Mark and Sara / cook / meal)

B (Their friends / eat the meal)

5 Complete the sentences so they are true for you.

- 1 I've just _____.
- 2 I've already _____ today, but
I haven't _____ yet.
- 3 I've _____
for _____.
- 4 I've never _____.

EXTRA CHALLENGE

Imagine you are going to interview your favourite author. Think of six questions to ask him / her. Use the words from the first box and the ideas from the second one or your own ideas. Invent the answers. Use your imagination!

ever just already yet at the moment usually

Interview with...

Questions

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6

Answers

ideas from
work on a new idea have writer's block
write in the morning favourite book / reason
think of the plot or the characters first

Now write up your interview for your school website or magazine.

WEBQUEST

Go online and find the answers to the questions.

- 1 Who wrote the novel *Crime and Punishment*?
.....
- 2 What is Harper Lee's first name?
.....
- 3 What is the other name J. K. Rowling has used as an author?
.....
- 4 Which is the world's largest library?
.....
- 5 Where were Roald Dahl's parents from?
.....
- 6 Which Sherlock Holmes story does the title of *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* come from?
.....

MARCIE'S MISUNDERSTANDINGS

Read the cartoon. Why do you think Marcie brings her tools?



INTERACTION

Recommending a book

- 1 Answer the questions. Can you remember how to express yourself?

What do you say ...

- 1 to ask someone if they have read a book by a particular author?

- 2 to ask someone about the content of a book they've read?

- 3 to ask someone where a novel is set?

- 4 to recommend a book to someone?

- 2  Complete the exchanges with the words in the box. Listen and check.

brilliant think read love

Mark: Have you ¹ _____ the new Suzanne Collins book?

Lucy: Yes, I have. It's ² _____.

Mark: Do you ³ _____ I'd like it?

Lucy: You'd ⁴ _____ it!

anything down like try

Paul: Have you ever read ⁵ _____ by Robert Muchamore?

Will: No, I haven't. Do you think I'd ⁶ _____ his books?

Paul: Well, I couldn't put his last novel ⁷ _____.

Will: Okay. I'll give it a ⁸ _____!

classic moment recommend wrote

Bella: What are you reading at the ⁹ _____, Rachel?

Rachel: I'm reading a ¹⁰ _____: *Treasure Island*.

Bella: Who ¹¹ _____ it?

Rachel: Robert Louis Stevenson.

Bella: Would you ¹² _____ it?

Rachel: No!

- 3 Read the dialogue and circle T (true) or F (false). Correct the false sentences.

Alice: So, Matty. What are you reading at the moment?

Matty: Well, I've just read a book called *Angela's Ashes*.

Alice: Who wrote it?

Matty: It's by Frank McCourt.

Alice: Where's it set?

Matty: It's set in Brooklyn in New York and Ireland.

Alice: And what's it about?

Matty: Well, it's an autobiography really. The author's parents were Irish and they moved to Brooklyn before he was born. The book tells the story of the family's struggle to survive there and how his mother, Angela, worked hard to keep her family together. The family goes back to Ireland, but at the age of 19, Frank returns to America and sets up his own life there.

Alice: Do you think I'd like it?

Matty: Yes, I think so. It's sad, funny and moving.

Alice: So, would you recommend it?

Matty: Definitely.

- | | |
|---|-------|
| 1 <i>Angela's Ashes</i> is based on a true story. | T / F |
| 2 The whole book is set in America. | T / F |
| 3 Frank McCourt was born in Ireland. | T / F |
| 4 His parents moved to Brooklyn from Ireland. | T / F |
| 5 The title of the book refers to Frank's mother. | T / F |

- 4 Complete the dialogue.

Joe: Have you read a book called *Invisible City*?

You: (Say that you haven't and ask who wrote it.)

1 _____

Joe: It's by a British writer called M. G. Harris.

You: (Ask for more information about the setting.)

2 _____

Joe: Well, it's set in the UK and Mexico.

You: (Ask about the content.)

3 _____

Joe: Well, the main character is called Josh. His dad dies in an aeroplane crash, so Josh goes to Mexico to try and find out what happened.

You: (Ask if you would like it.)

4 _____

Joe: Like it? You'll love it!

YOUR TURN TO SPEAK

- 5  Revise the *Express yourself* box on page 16 of the Student's Book. Then listen to the people and respond.

WRITING SKILL

Giving reasons and results

1 Join the halves of the sentences.

- 1 But there is a problem with the canoe.
 - 2 As a result of the time they spend together,
 - 3 Karana had to stay behind because
 - 4 She builds a fence around her home
 - 5 The island is not an easy place to live, so
- A Karana has to deal with a lot of difficult situations.
- B the boat couldn't wait for her.
- C and consequently she is forced to return to the island.
- D because of the wild dogs that are all over the island.
- E Karana realizes how lonely she has been.

2 Complete the text with the sentences in exercise 1.

Island of the Blue Dolphins

By Owen Hart

Island of the Blue Dolphins was written by Scott O'Dell and was published in 1960.

Set on an island off the coast of southern California in the 1800s, it tells the story of a young Native American girl called Karana, whose tribe have all been taken to the mainland.

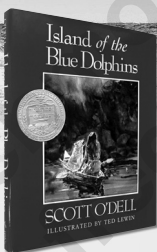
As well as looking for food and making clothes, she has to build herself a new home.³

At one point, she makes a canoe and tries to leave the island.

A group of blue dolphins surround her canoe and guide her back safely. She then gets used to life on the island and learns to live in harmony with the animals.

Then, one day, some people come to the island, and she develops a close friendship with one of them. ⁵ _____

It's a great adventure story and it's also about survival. I would recommend this book to older teenagers.



3 Read the text and answer the questions.

- 1 Where is *Island of The Blue Dolphins* set?

- 2 What is the name of the main character?

- 3 Why does the main character end up on the island alone?

- 4 What does the main character do on the island?

- 5 How does she try to leave the island?

- 6 Who does the main character make friends with on the island?

4 Look at the *Writing Reference* on page 113. Then write a book review about your favourite book or a book you are reading at the moment. Write about:

- the author and the publication date
- where it is set
- who the main character is
- what happens
- if you would recommend it

Reminder

- Check your expressions for giving reasons and results.
- Use the historical present to talk about what happens in the book.