

Literacy competition pack

Teacher guide for home or school

Suitable for ages 5–13



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This Literacy Competition is designed to:

- Get young learners excited about reading
- Reinforce key literacy skills
- Reward students for their work

Let's get started!



Plan Your Literacy Competition

Step 1: Choose participants

You can run the competition between students in a single class or add an extra element of excitement (and challenge!) by getting the entire school and even teachers involved.

Step 2: Select competition dates

This literacy competition will run for a week (Monday to Friday), and you'll need to pick the exact dates that you'd like to hold the event.

Give yourself enough time before the start date to organise everything and communicate the online competition to your students and their parents/ guardians.

See page 9 for your parent letter template.

Step 3: Select competition dates

Try to schedule your entire class (or school) to jump on Reading Eggs at the same time – either at home or at school. If you've tasked them with the Reading Eggspress Stadium, it'll create an exciting environment for learning and a great opportunity for some healthy (and fun) competition between students and even teachers!

If you can't get your students online at the same time, you can ask them to work on the day's Reading Eggs activities in their own time.

How much time should I allocate to Reading Eggs each day?

We recommend 20–30 minutes, as this gives students sufficient time to work on their skills and not lose focus.

Competition Week

Daily Literacy Activities

Fill your competition with lots of fun literacy activities to keep your students engaged and excited about building their skills throughout the week.

Here are some ideas for what you might like to do.

Reading Eggs Activities

Reading Lessons

These activities make up the main learning journey for your students. You can either let students progress along their learning journey at their own pace or assign specific reading lessons.

How are eggs earned?

Students earn between 14 and 42 eggs per completed lesson.





Spelling Lessons

If you want your students to focus on improving their spelling during your competition week, these are the activities you want them to be working on. The lessons cover the spelling requirements of the first three years of school.

How are eggs earned?

Students earn 2 eggs per component of each lesson. They can earn up to 20 eggs per completed lesson.

Story Factory

Instead of students completing lessons all week, set them a task of coming up with a story (using the prompts) in their Story Factory. They'll get to work on their storytelling skills, broader literacy skills, and be creative.

How are eggs earned?

Students receive 40 eggs when they publish their own story in Story Factory.





Driving Tests

Driving Tests not only give you insight into a students' literacy progression by testing them on sight words, phonics skills and vocabulary but also acknowledge students' achievements with eggs, making it easy for you to award students for their accomplishments.

How are eggs earned?

In Driving Tests, students receive 1 egg per star. Students will only receive their earned eggs when they have completed the Driving Test.

Reading Eggspress Activities

Use Reading Eggspress for advanced learners or students you want to challenge.

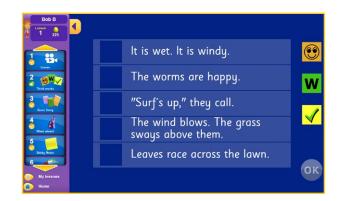
Here are the activities you'll find in the program:

My Lessons

These Lessons in Reading Eggspress develop students' comprehension skills — reading for meaning. You can assign these activities or let students work through their individual learning journeys.

How are eggs earned?

Students earn 10 eggs for each activity they complete in a lesson. The book quiz awards students 10 eggs per correct answer (10 questions to answer).



Stadium

The Stadium is a fantastic way to reinforce literacy skills and have a little competitive fun at the same time. Learners challenge each other in Spelling, Grammar or Vocabulary 30-second races that test their speed and knowledge in these areas.

How are eggs earned?

Students earn 20 eggs for 1st place and 5 eggs for 2nd place.





Library

Inspire your students' inner reader with the Reading Eggs Library. With over 2500 books to choose from, there is something for everyone. Assign students a specific title to read or encourage them to explore the full range of books on their own.

How are eggs earned?

Students must read the book and achieve a minimum score of 80% for the end of book quiz questions to earn their eggs. Each book states how many eggs a student will earn.

Add an Extra Element of Fun!

Master a Map

Challenge students to complete a map by the end of the competition. They'll get to collect lots of eggs that they can spend on items for their avatar or playing fun educational games. Students will also unlock new critters to add to their collections and at the end of the map, they'll receive a certificate!

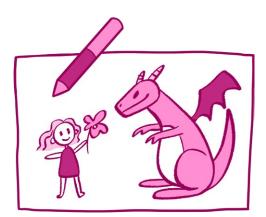




Stadium Day (Reading Eggspress Students Only)

Dedicate a day for the school to compete in the Reading Eggspress Stadium. Students will love to compete against each other for 1st place while building their literacy skills and collecting lots of golden eggs! At the end of the day, acknowledge students for their efforts and achievements.

Make it a little more fun and get students to come dressed as an athlete for the day!



Costume Creativity

Ask your students to design a new costume for their most-loved book character or Reggie from Reading Eggs! Encourage them to use lots of creativity in their design and take a photo to share with the class.

For older learners, add an extra element of challenge and ask them to write a few sentences about why they designed the costume they did. Hand out some awards for the best ideas!

Fancy Dress Day

Dress as a book or movie character or a literary genius. If your students are learning at home, get them (with parents' permission) to send in a photo of their special outfit for the day and award prizes to students for the craziest and most creative costumes.



Tell a Tale

Task your students with creating an exciting story to share with their peers. They might like to draw the story in pictures, film themselves telling the story, act it out or simply write it. Award a prize for the most creative storyline and the most inventive storytelling approach!



Rewards and Celebration

Throughout your competition week don't forget to reward students with our special Reading Eggs certificates (and even some prizes) for all their work. You can reward them for anything you like.

Reading Eggs and Reading Eggspress both have ample activities (and results), which you can use to help reward your students for their efforts and achievements. Below are a few ideas to get you thinking.

You might like to present Reading Eggs awards for:

- the student/s who earned a gold certificate during the week
- the student/s who earned the most gold certificates during the week
- the student/s with the highest number of books read
- the student/s with the most mastered driving tests.

Note: In Reading Eggs students can be awarded gold, silver, or bronze certificates.

Gold certificate – 14–15 questions correct Silver certificate – 12–13 questions correct Bronze certificate – 11 questions correct

You might like to present Reading Eggspress awards to the students who:

- received a bronze trophy during the week
- attained the best average quiz score
- read the highest number (or the greatest variety) of books.

Note: Students receive a bronze trophy when they collect 1000 points (eggs) and can only receive one bronze trophy per week. If students have been using Reading Eggs for a while you could award students for receiving silver and gold trophies as well.

You can find your Reading Eggs certificates at the end of this pack.

Tracking Progress During the Competition



Your Teacher Console

Your Reading Eggs and Reading Eggspress reporting tools are where you'll be able to easily stay on top of your students' progress and achievements during your competition week.

Follow the steps below to view results for your students in both Reading Eggs and Reading Eggspress.

To view student results:

- 1. Go to Reports.
- 2. Select a specific report from the dropdown options that appear in the navbar, e.g. Books read, Certificates earned.
- 3. Use the date filter to narrow down to the competition dates.
- 4. From here you'll be able to see a list of the students in your class and their individual result for that activity.
- 5. Click on a student's name to **view results** for all Reading Eggs/Reading Eggspress activities for that individual student.

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Note: We recommend checking students' results daily or as soon as the competition ends, as the most specific date range filters are 'This week' and 'Last 7 days'.

The Student Console

Your students can track their progress through the Student Dashboard. The points (eggs) they earn will appear in the top right corner on their homepage. In Reading Eggs students can view the certificates they earn in 'Awards' and in Reading Eggspress they can view their trophies in their 'Trophy Room'.





Dear parent/guardian,

will be running an exciting literacy competition

between /

This competition is a great opportunity for students to get excited about literacy, improve their skills in a fun environment, and be recognised for their hard work.

How does the competition work?

During the competition week, we will set students several Reading Eggs and/ or Reading Eggspress challenges to complete as well as a few additional literacy-themed activities such as dressing up in costume and getting creative with some arts and craft.

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We will send through a list of the activities that will need to be completed a week before the competition is to begin.

Family involvement

Your involvement during this week would greatly benefit your child's learning, but it's understandable if you have other obligations. While students will be able to complete all the Reading Eggs challenges on their own, I would be grateful if you could assist your child with the additional literacy-themed activities that rely on adult supervision.

Finally, some of the rewards will be awarded to students for their creativity in their costumes, and arts and craft. So please share as many photos of these with us as possible!

Warm regards,

