

Session 1: Reading (Chapter 1)

Before Reading

Discuss the logo and the oath at the beginning of the book.

During Reading

Children consider the main question as they read to page 13.

Main question: **What information do we learn about the characters in this chapter? (Y5 t2, Literal Comprehension)**

Additional prompts to help you sample children's reading:

Page 8: What does the Redback look like?

Page 11: What is Dr Fielding's job?

Pages 13–14: What extra information do we learn about Ulf?

After Reading

Discuss the main question and the reasons why we need to know about the characters. Children make notes.

Follow-up: before Session 2, children read to page 20 and write down the key details they learn about the Venom Extractor. Ask them to write predictions about what will happen next.
