
An introduction for parents: ReadingWise Decoding

Dear parent,

ReadingWise has been developing literacy programmes for over 8 years. We're proud of the work we do, and hope that our programme will support your child in growing confidence and independence in reading.

The programme is online, and can be accessed at home as well as at school.

Key points

The ReadingWise programme is designed to be as simple as possible to use. We've outlined a few key points below to help you support your child when they access the programme at home.

- ◆ **Internet essential** – you will need to be online with a computer or tablet (not a phone)
- ◆ **15 – 20 minute sessions** – research has shown that shorter sessions daily are best. We recommend 15 – 20 minutes.
- ◆ **No pressure** – the ReadingWise programme uses a range of techniques, many of which won't be familiar to your child. Some of these techniques may make the difference, but some may not – so there is no need to put any pressure on your child at any point. Engagement is more important.
- ◆ **Independence** – the programme allows your child to learn at their own pace, and to take control of their learning. This independence is an important factor in success, so there is no need to do the session with your child.
- ◆ **Positive support** – we aim to help build a 'growth mindset' – where children develop a 'can-do' attitude. So any positive support you can offer your child may help, such as congratulating them on completion of a session or high-levels of engagement.
- ◆ **Technical problems** – try the ReadingWise website for tech support: <https://readingwise.com/techsupport> or contact ReadingWise: info@readingwise.com

We hope that ReadingWise supports your child in developing their reading and literacy skills, and that this brief outline is useful to you.

Yours sincerely,

The ReadingWise team