



Reading Activities



Oxford Owl is a useful website which has free ebooks, information about the skills we cover in Year 2, and advice to parents about different ways they can help their children with reading at home. <https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/reading-age-6-7-year-2/>

Year 2 children are expected to be able to read 90 words per minute by the end of the year. There are 3 sheets below which you can use to read with your child. Mark where they read up to one day, and see if they can beat it another day. It is fine for the children to use the same sheet on different occasions.

The Whoopsit

8 The whoopsit has nine claws on his big
17 paws. His fur is black and brown. He lurks
27 in a dark cave at the top of a hill.
39 The cave is so high up that it is near the clouds.
48 He sings a tune all day long in the
56 summer. He likes to shout and moan in
58 the winter.
67 We saw his footprints in the mud near the
74 river. Some people are afraid of the
84 whoopsit but I am not. I hope that I can
93 meet him and we can play games all day
94 long.



Moving Home

10 Sam looked out of the window at the green fields
20 and felt sad. He was moving house with his mum
30 and dad. He had to leave his friends and his
32 football team.

43 "You will like it. It's very quiet and you can see
49 trees from your bedroom." said Mum.

58 Sam didn't see what all the fuss was about.

62 "We're here!" Dad said.

72 Sam had to admit, it did look pretty. There were
82 apple trees in the garden. He saw a black pony
94 in a field near to the house. It trotted over to the
96 fence curiously.

105 "Didn't we tell you?" Dad said with a cheeky
115 grin, "The pony is ours as well as the house."

123 Sam felt himself smile. Maybe living here would
127 be OK after all.

Fred's New Friend

11 Once there lived a dog called Fred. He lived in a
20 house by a stream. He loved eating yummy bones.
30 His favourite thing to do was go for walks. One
40 day while on his walk, he spotted a ginger shape
50 by the stream. He trotted over to the stream and
61 saw it was a little, furry cat. The cat was crying.

66 "Are you ok?" Fred asked.

75 "I am lonely and don't have any friends." said
77 the cat.

86 "Do you want to play with me?" asked Fred.

96 "Oh yes, please! My name is Tom," said the cat
97 happily.

104 After that, Fred and Tom became best
110 friends and they played together every
111 day.

