



OAKDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Parents ebooks meeting

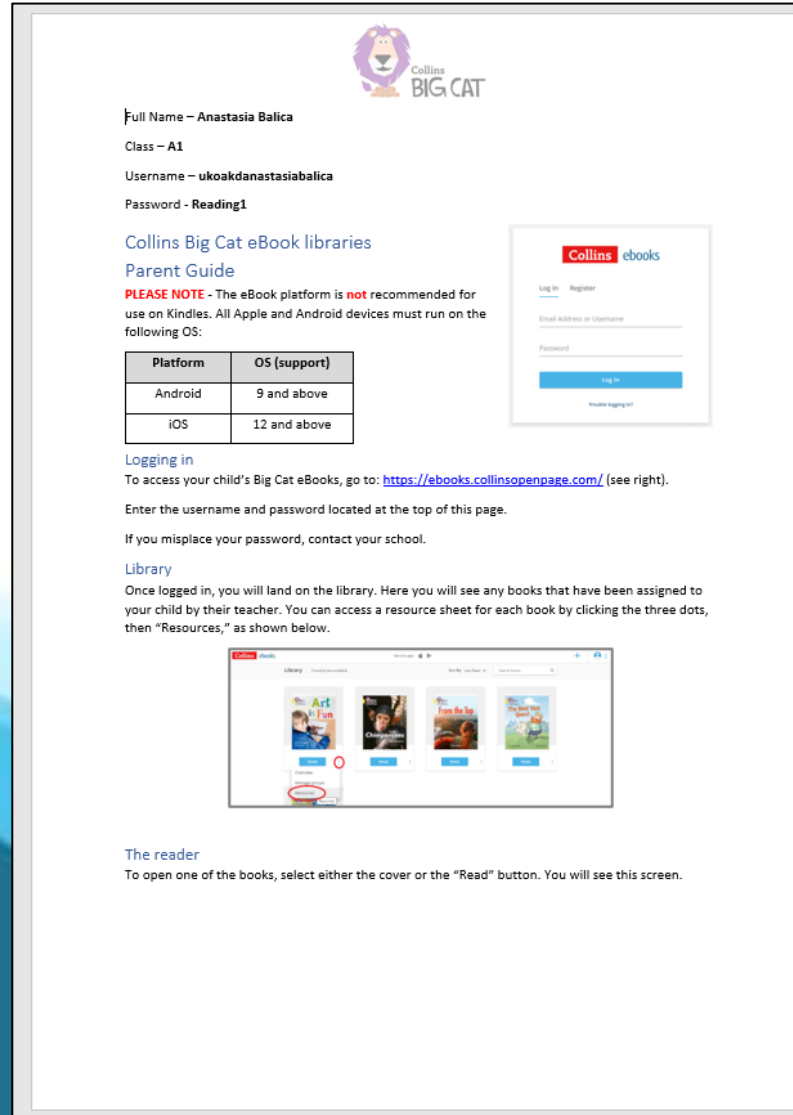
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# Why have we moved to ebooks?

- They are easily accessible from a device/ phone
- They cannot be lost and therefore do not need replacing
  - The set-up cost is considerable cheaper
- Children can be assigned the correct level of books easier and more than 1 if necessary
- There is no finite copy of books so children in several year groups can access the same text

# How to get online

Everyone in reception and year 1 has been set home their login details and guidance on accessing the books.



Full Name – Anastasia Balica  
 Class – A1  
 Username – ukoakdanastasiabalica  
 Password - Reading1

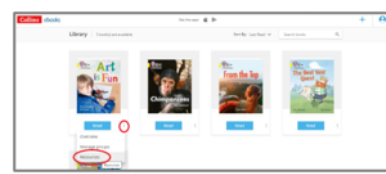
Collins Big Cat eBook libraries  
 Parent Guide

**PLEASE NOTE** - The eBook platform is **not** recommended for use on Kindles. All Apple and Android devices must run on the following OS:

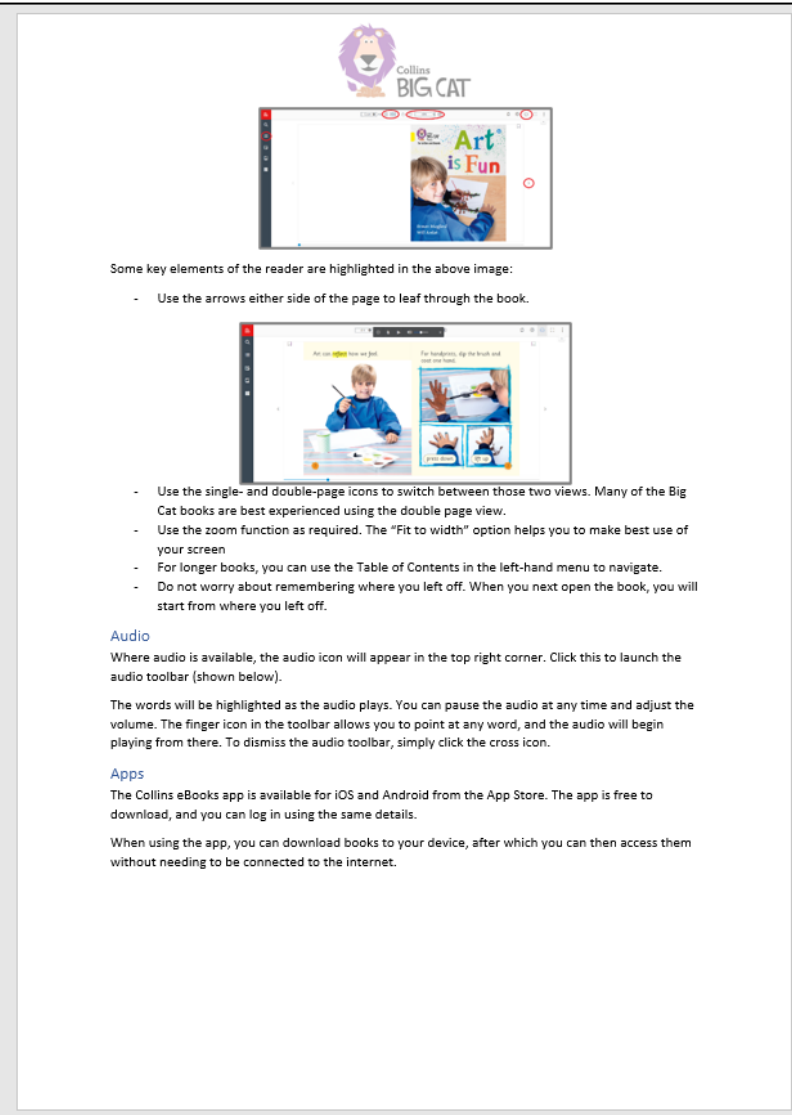
Platform	OS (support)
Android	9 and above
iOS	12 and above

Logging in  
 To access your child's Big Cat eBooks, go to: <https://ebooks.collinsopenpage.com/> (see right).  
 Enter the username and password located at the top of this page.  
 If you misplace your password, contact your school.

Library  
 Once logged in, you will land on the library. Here you will see any books that have been assigned to your child by their teacher. You can access a resource sheet for each book by clicking the three dots, then "Resources," as shown below.



The reader  
 To open one of the books, select either the cover or the "Read" button. You will see this screen.



Some key elements of the reader are highlighted in the above image:

- Use the arrows either side of the page to leaf through the book.
- Use the single- and double-page icons to switch between those two views. Many of the Big Cat books are best experienced using the double page view.
- Use the zoom function as required. The "Fit to width" option helps you to make best use of your screen
- For longer books, you can use the Table of Contents in the left-hand menu to navigate.
- Do not worry about remembering where you left off. When you next open the book, you will start from where you left off.

Audio  
 Where audio is available, the audio icon will appear in the top right corner. Click this to launch the audio toolbar (shown below).  
 The words will be highlighted as the audio plays. You can pause the audio at any time and adjust the volume. The finger icon in the toolbar allows you to point at any word, and the audio will begin playing from there. To dismiss the audio toolbar, simply click the cross icon.

Apps  
 The Collins eBooks app is available for iOS and Android from the App Store. The app is free to download, and you can log in using the same details.  
 When using the app, you can download books to your device, after which you can then access them without needing to be connected to the internet.

Once online, you should be able to go to the library and see which book has been allocated and select it to look at on the reader view.



A screenshot of a web browser displaying the Collins ebooks library. The browser's address bar shows the URL 'ebooks.collinsopenpage.com/wr/index.html?version=1.0.241.2'. The page header includes the 'Collins ebooks' logo and a 'Get the app' button. Below the header, the word 'Library' is displayed with '5 book(s) are available' underneath. A 'Sort By: Last Read' dropdown and a search bar are also visible. The main content area shows five book covers in a row, each with a 'Read' button below it. The books are: 'Up and Off!' by Karro Mckarlane, 'Pop it on!' by Suzanne Di Stefano, 'Buzz, Hop, Zip!' by Samantha Montgomery, 'Nell and Tess' by Helen Gwynne, and 'Pets, Cans, Cups!' by Helen Welsh. The bottom right corner of the page contains the copyright notice: '© 2022. OpenPage. All rights reserved. Activate Windows'.



Once in 'read' view you can click to turn pages, zoom in and have it read to you for support.

Collins BIG CAT Phonics  
2 For Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised

**Up and Off!**

Karra McFarlane



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Before reading

**Practising phonics: Phase 2**

- Read the book three times over three reading practice sessions.
- Focus on a different aspect of reading each time: decoding, prosody and comprehension.
- Download the word cards to accompany this book at: [collins.co.uk/BigCatLittleWandleL&Srevised](https://collins.co.uk/BigCatLittleWandleL&Srevised)

**Read the words**

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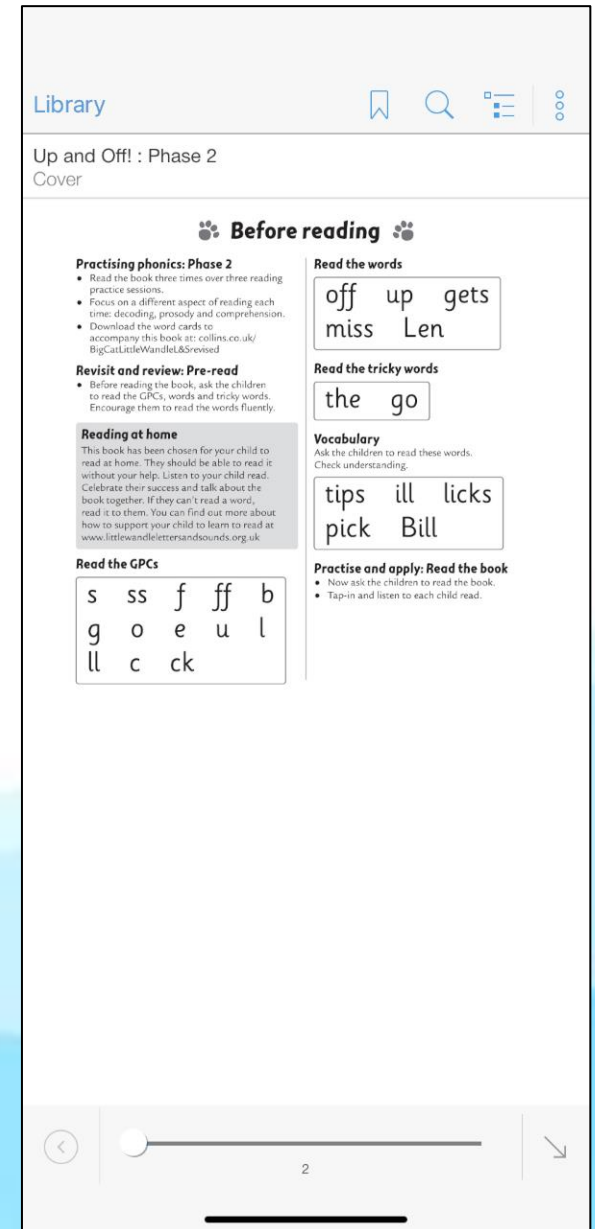
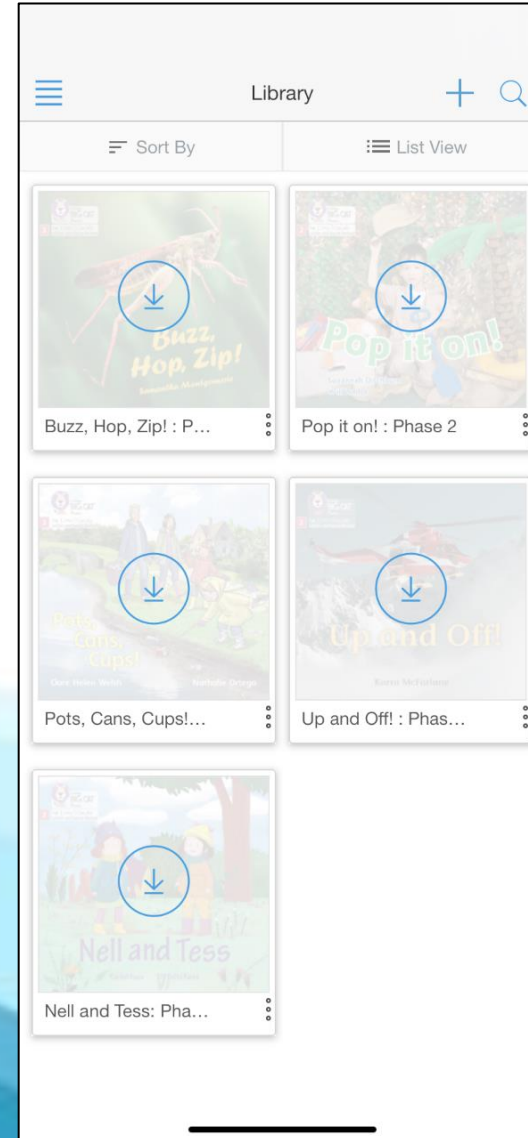
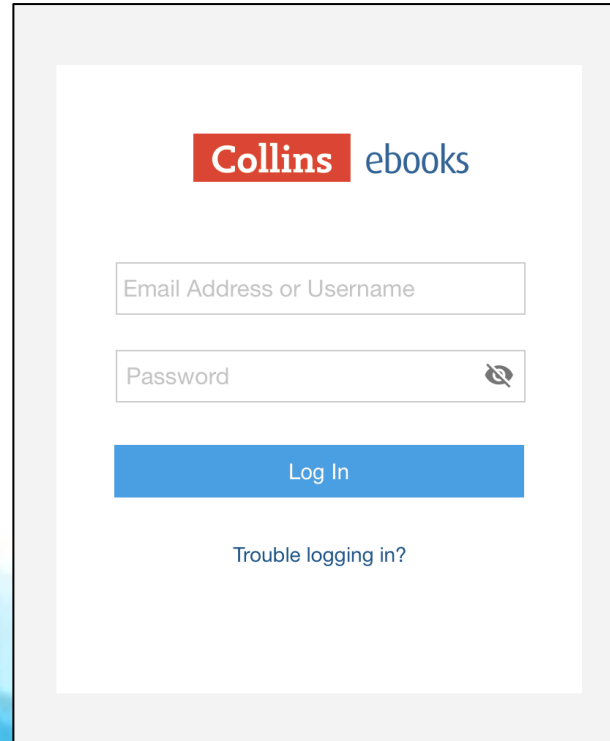
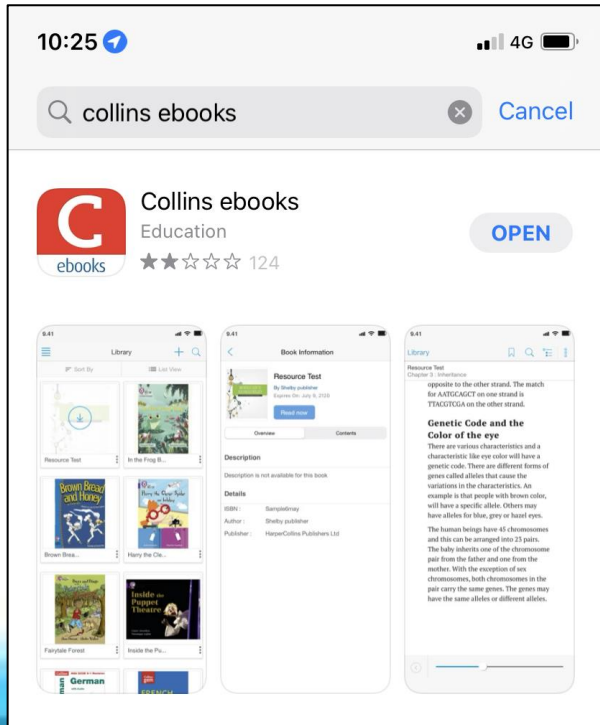
**Up and Off!**

Revisit and review: Pre-read

Read the tricky words



# It is also accessible on phones by downloading the Collins ebook App.



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**BIG CAT**  
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# What can we see online?



What you get to see is the child's view and they can only access books which have been assigned to them some may be left on there that children can revisit from previous weeks.

The teachers view has access to all books and students and we allocate books read in class groups for phonics applications, fluency and comprehension. Your child should know their book each week well.

We can also see which children have been online, for how long, which books they read and how many times. This means that we do not technically need reading diaries but we have continued them as we still use them for communication between home and school and for colour banded texts.



Now feel free to have a login on the laptops  
around the room or ask questions.

