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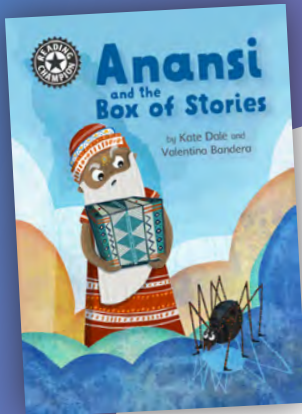
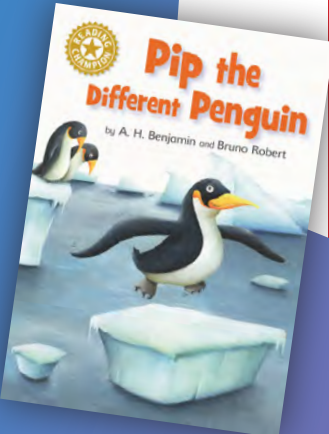
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## 2 The right level of challenge for reading independently

Many reading schemes offer the same books for guided and independent reading. However Reading Champion has been specifically written to support independent reading and literacy consultants have worked with authors to ensure that each book provides the right level of challenge for reading unaided or with little help.

## 3 Clear labelling

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Dog likes to dig.

Pages from Dog Likes to Dig (Band Pink 1A)

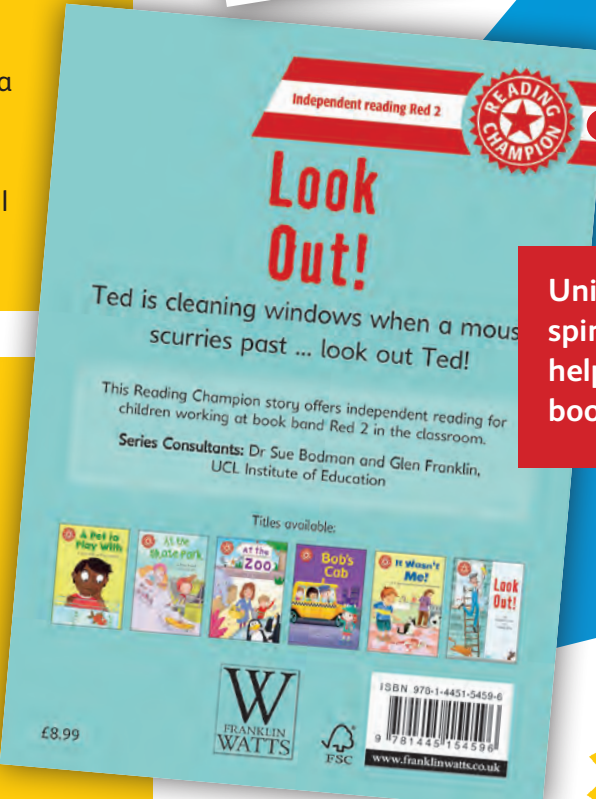


Cave Boy and Dad walked on. Soon they came to a forest. They saw a big bird fly out of a tree. "I can see the nest," said Cave Boy.



Dad climbed up into the tree. "There are no eggs in this nest," he said.

Pages from Cave Boy and the Egg (Band Turquoise 7)



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# Developed in consultation with literacy experts

Reading Champion has been developed in consultation with literacy experts Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of the IOE. The IOE is ranked number one in the QS World University Subject Rankings and is the originator and developer of book bands for guided reading.

**Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin, IOE on Reading Champion:** "We welcomed the opportunity to work on a series that is dedicated to building enjoyment of reading. This series will help parents, teachers and librarians make sure that books going into the hands of children are at just the right amount of challenge for reading independently."



# Book Banding

Reading Champion Key Stage 1 books feature 10 book bands. Key Stage 2 books are indicated by the black logo and progress from level 11 (7 year olds or those in Year 3) to level 18 (11 year olds or those in Year 6). All books have been carefully graded by Dr Sue Bodman and Glen Franklin of UCL IOE, so you can be confident that they offer consistency with the whole scheme.

Book band	Age Range	Word Count
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Red 2	Age 4+	Approx. 80
Yellow 3	Age 4+	Approx. 100
Blue 4	Age 4+	Approx. 150
Green 5	Age 5+	Approx. 250
Orange 6	Age 5+	Approx. 350
Turquoise 7	Age 5+	Approx. 450
Purple 8	Age 6+	Approx. 550
Gold 9	Age 6+	Approx. 700
White 10	Age 7+	Approx. 800
Bands 11-18	Age 7-11+	800+ words

# Easy to use at home or school

- Works alongside any guided reading programme used in the classroom to provide a wealth of independent reading material at each book band and beyond.
- Build on the reading experience with fun activities that support the reader and encourage reading for pleasure.
- Embed home-school links with clear guidance notes to help parents and carers support independent reading at home.