A new reading website for Year 4 to use!!

https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/

Username: hlpsyear4
Password: Kirkwood

It is vital that children read as much as possible. It would be the one thing I would say to do if nothing else! The site allows children to access banded reading books. It has a wealth of choice for them and each book has ideas for questions you could ask your child to check they are understanding what they are reading. They also have one or two activities they can have a go at (at the top of the screen) when they have completed the book. These too check their understanding of what they have just read and also consolidate reading skills.

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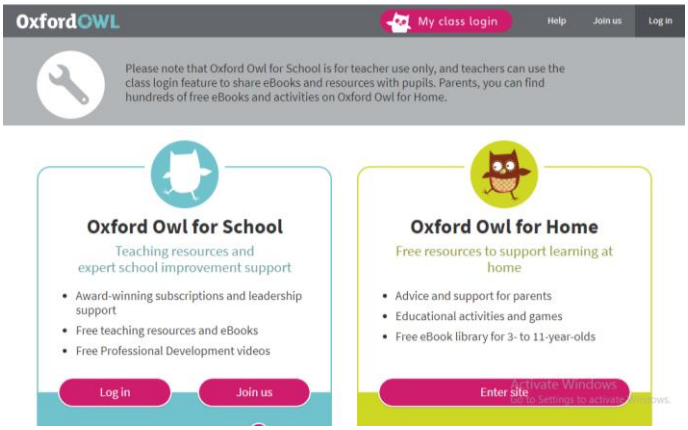
If you child doesn't know what book band they are on, please get in touch and I can let you know. If your child could please keep a record of books they have read and when (like we would if we were in school), that would be great. Of course if your child is reading other books that interest them, they could also record these. Please see the guidance document for further support. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have.

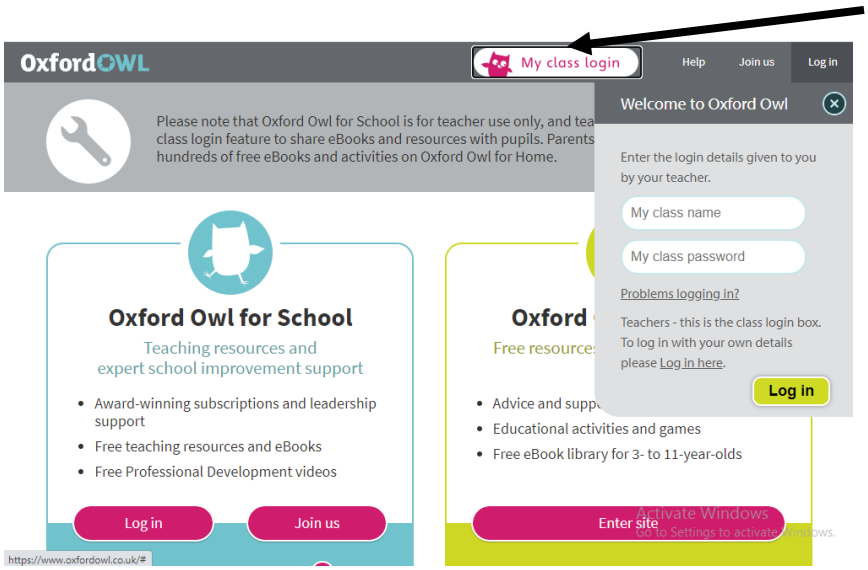
Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Kirkwood

How to use and get the most out Oxford Owl

Step 1: Visit the following website: https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/





Step 2: Use ‘My class login’ to logon using our class login details below:

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Password: Kirkwood

Step 3: Click ‘Log in’.

Step 4: Click ‘My Bookshelf’.

Step 5: Select your child’s book band.

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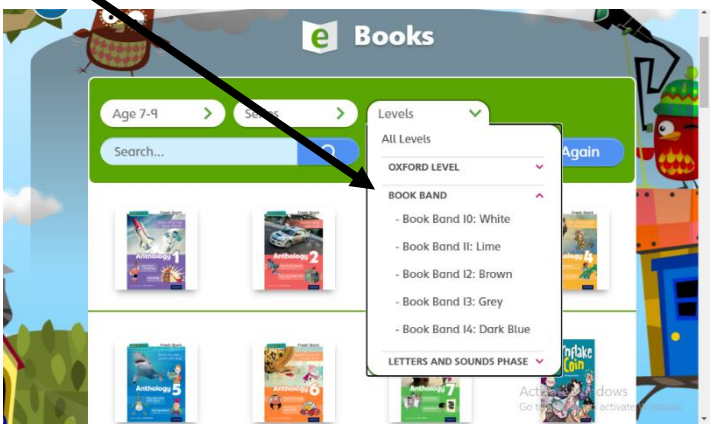
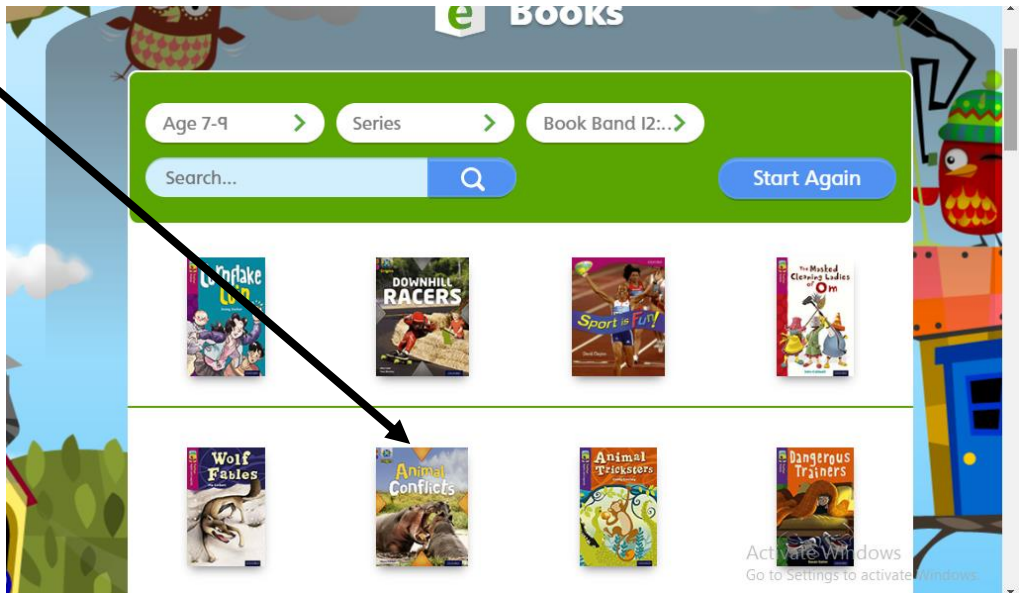
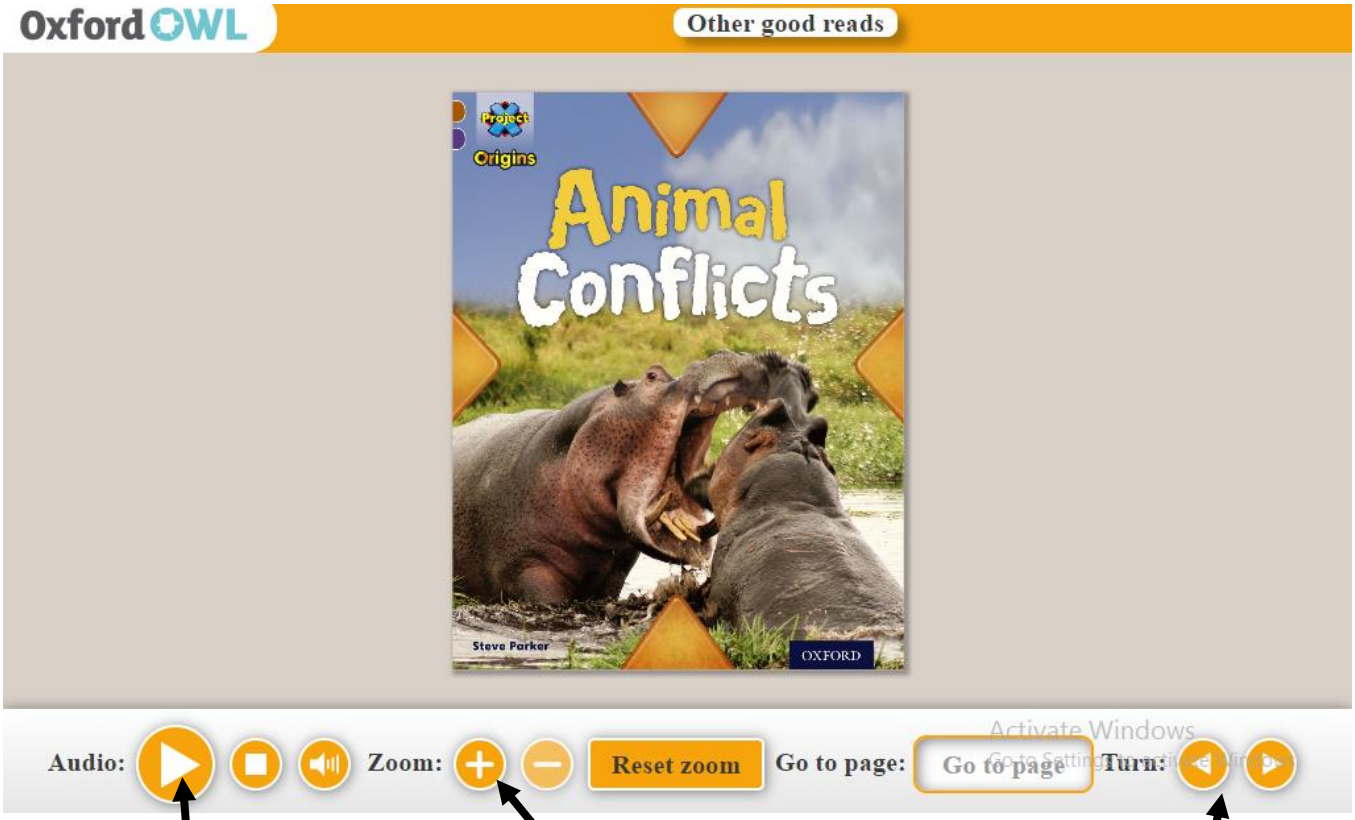


Step 6: Select a book.



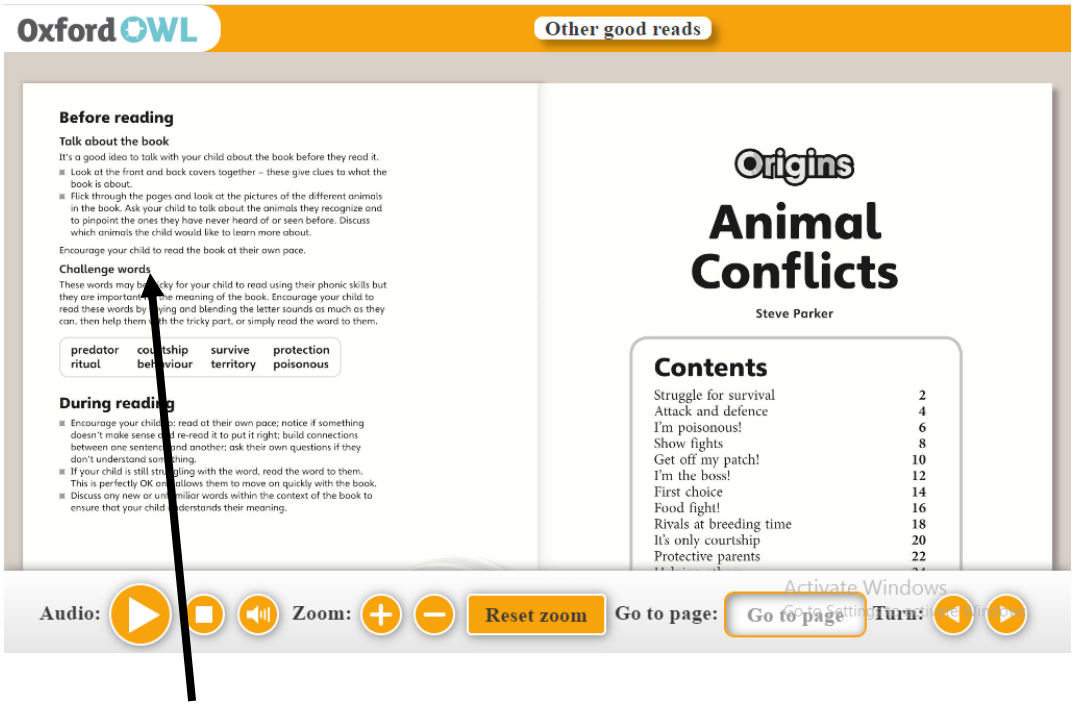
Step 7: Get familiar with the reading tools to navigate through a book.



This option reads the text to your child.

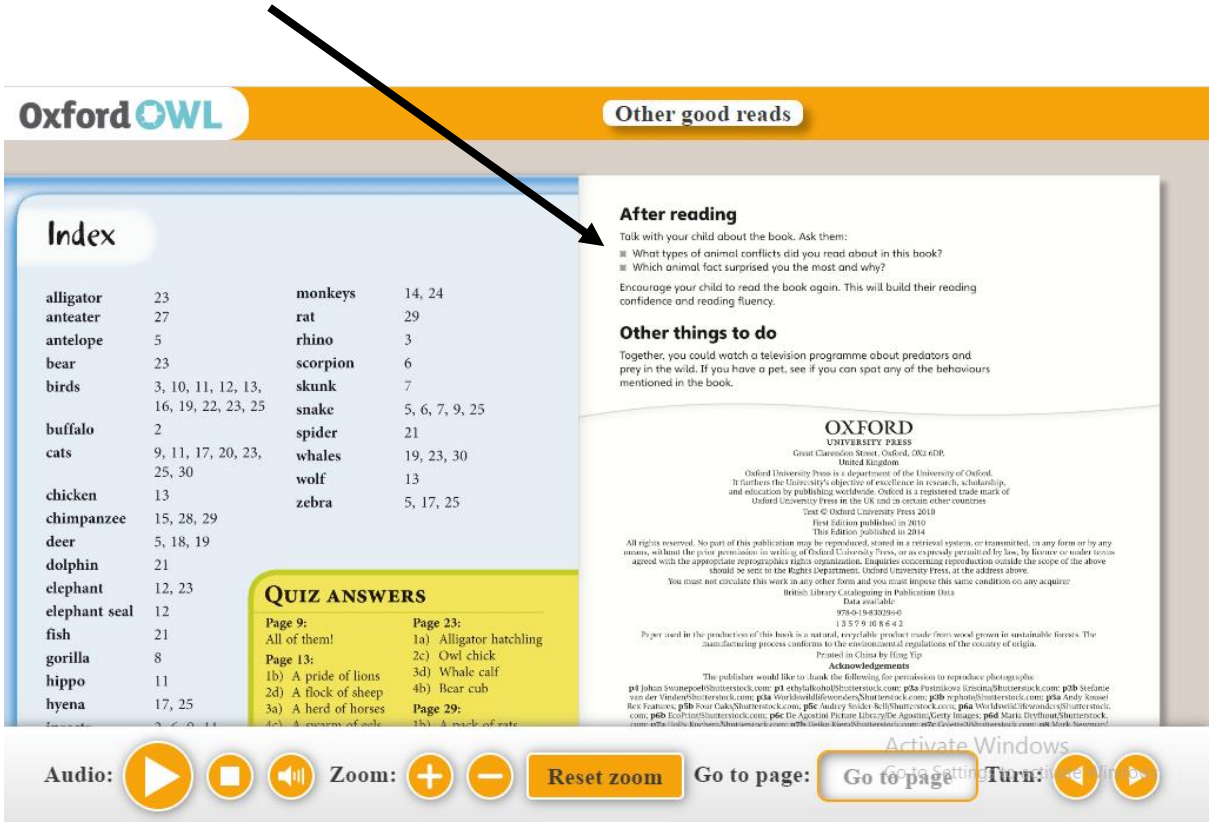
This option allows you to zoom in to make the text bigger.

Turn the page here.



Step 8: Use the 'before reading' guidance to support your child's reading during the book

Step 9: Use the ‘after reading’ questions to check your child’s understanding.



Step 10: Check to see if there are activities to complete when you have finished reading.

Step 11: Enjoy reading lots of new books!