



Rising Stars
Reading Planet

Rocket Phonics Online

Parent's and Pupil's Guide



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What is *Rocket Phonics Online*?



Rocket Phonics Online is a phonics teaching and learning programme that includes a wide range of reading practice books in digital format. These eBooks can be assigned to your child and read online at school or at home on any internet-enabled device.

The books in *Rocket Phonics Online* are designed to appeal to children who are starting to learn to read, as well as those who are becoming fluent readers. The books include a variety of fiction and non-fiction, written by phonics experts and children's book writers. All the books have been carefully levelled according to book banding and other criteria, to ensure gradual progression in difficulty.

Each eBook features an optional audio recording (with each word highlighted as it is read) and a variety of quizzes to check children's understanding of what they have read.



Bibi helps Asaph bake cakes. He has fun, but it is not the same as a holiday.



Getting started with *Rocket Phonics Online*



Log in to My Rising Stars

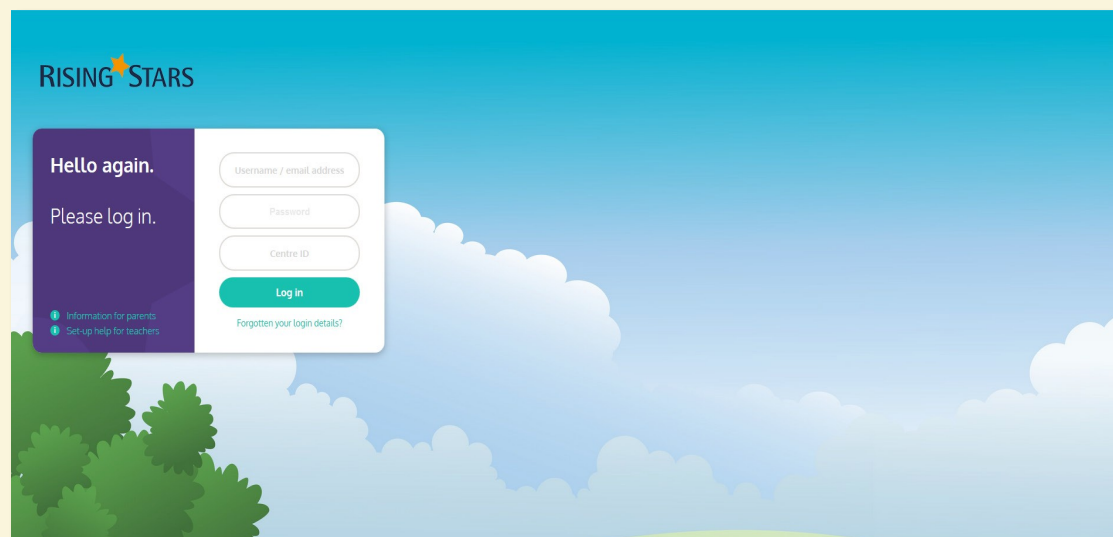
***Rocket Phonics Online* can be accessed from any computer, tablet or mobile phone connected to the internet.**

You can log in via:

<https://my.risingstars-uk.com>

and enter the school's unique centre ID, (e.g. 11246) and your child's login details, provided by the school.

If you have any problems with the login process, please contact your child's school.

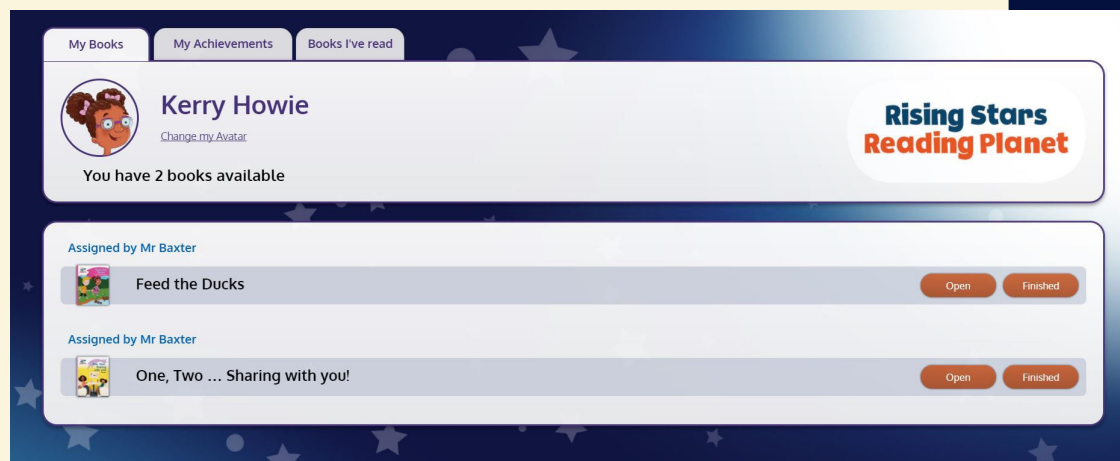




Find your books in the pupil dashboard

Once the eBooks have been assigned to your child, they will appear in the pupil dashboard (in the 'My Books' section) when you log into *Rocket Phonics Online*.

Click on the 'Open' button to launch the book on your screen. NB Make sure the *Rocket Phonics Online* screen is maximised so that the quiz screens can be viewed in full.



Click on the rocket icon to go back to the pupil dashboard.



When you have completed a book and the quizzes within it, click on the 'Finished' button. The book will then move into your 'Books I've read' section of the dashboard.

The 'My Achievements' section contains the quiz results in the form of gold, silver or bronze stars.

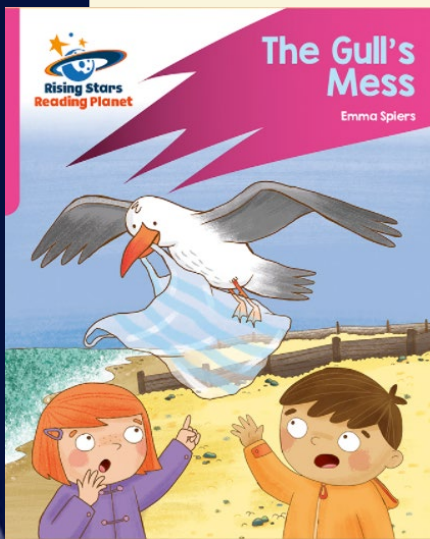
Your child can personalise their dashboard by choosing their own avatar, including one of the *Reading Planet* Comet Street Kids characters!

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Target Practice reading books

The *Target Practice* eBooks provide focused reading practice of small groups of letter-sounds. All the books are fully decodable, which means they only contain letter-sounds and 'tricky' words that the children have been taught in class. ('Tricky' words are also called 'common exception words' and include words like *he*, *she*, *they* and *were* that don't follow phonics rules.)

These eBooks include self-marking comprehension quizzes and feature a page of questions at the back of each book that can also be used to check the child's understanding.



Talk about the story

Ask your child these questions:

- 1 What were the children doing on the beach?
- 2 Who put the red can in the bin?
- 3 Why wasn't the mess in the bin at the end of the story?
- 4 How do you think Bess and Rob felt about the gull?
- 5 What should you do with your litter when you are out?
- 6 What might you see on a trip to the seaside?



Can your child retell the story in their own words?

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Rocket Phonics reading books

The *Rocket Phonics* eBooks provide focused reading practice of wider groups of letter-sounds. They are intended as additional reading practice once children have been taught all the letter-sounds in a particular colour level/band.

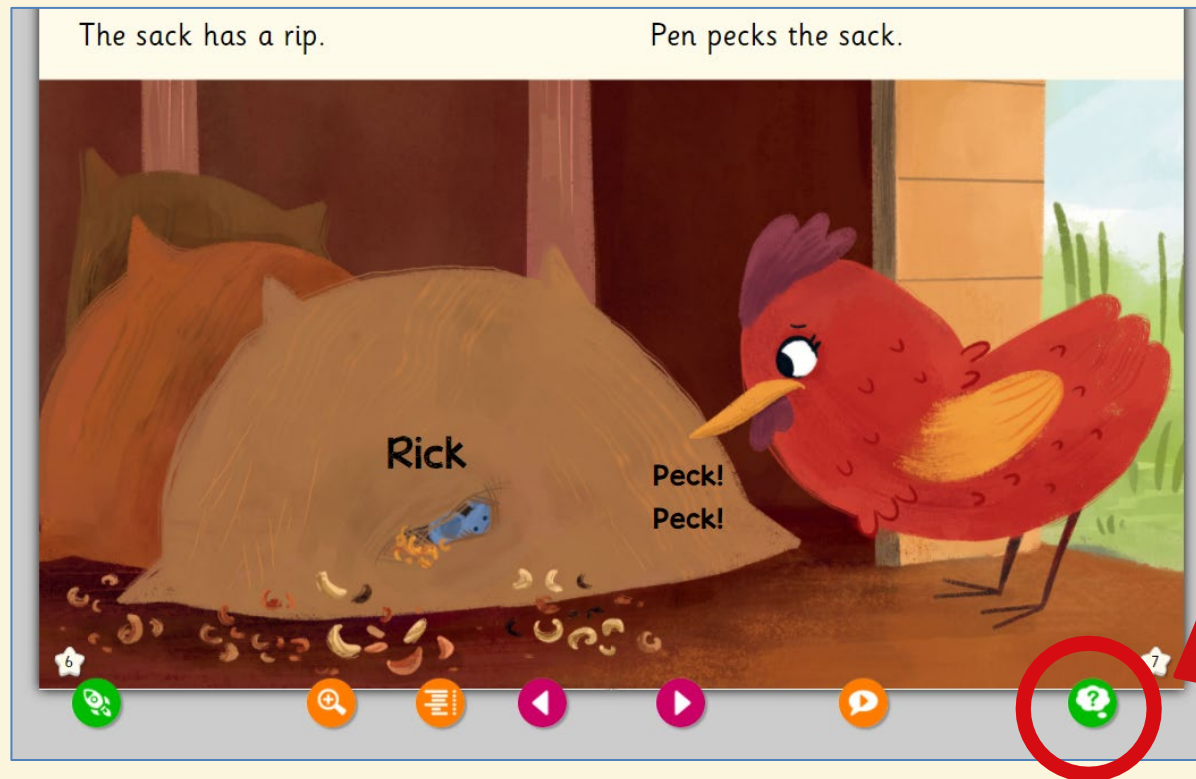
The text in these books are fully decodable, which means they only contain letter-sounds and 'tricky' words that the children have been taught in class. They also include self-marking comprehension quizzes and a page of questions at the back of each book that can be used to check the child's understanding.





Complete the quizzes

Each eBook in *Rocket Phonics Online* has one or more 'checkpoint' quizzes that appear at intervals throughout the book. These checkpoint quizzes are designed to check children's understanding of the text up until that point and are indicated by the animated quiz icon shown below.

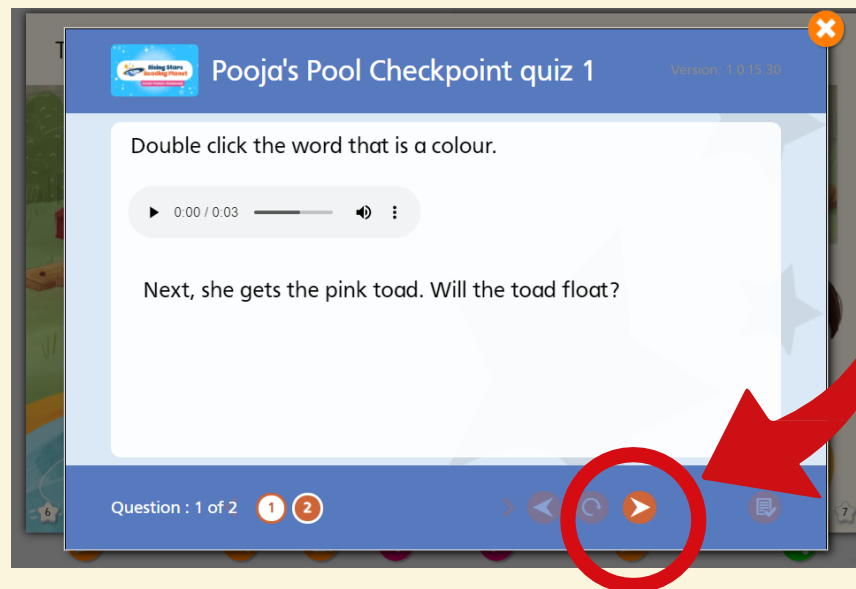




Complete the quizzes (continued)

Click on the green quiz icon to launch the checkpoint quiz. Support your child by reading aloud the instructions (or click on the audio button to hear the instructions) and discussing the possible answers. See pages 11 and 12 for guidance on answering the different question types.

Navigate from question to question by clicking on the arrow at the bottom right of the quiz.



When your child has answered all the questions in a quiz, click on the clipboard icon at the end of the quiz to submit their answers and receive their score.



Complete the quizzes (continued)

At the end of every book there is a longer quiz that checks overall understanding of the text. As with the checkpoint quizzes, click on the animated quiz icon to launch the end-of-book quiz.

Talk about the story

Ask your child these questions:

- 1 Which things did not float in Pooja's pool?
- 2 Who said "No tools in the pool!"?
- 3 What snack did Mum bring Pooja?
- 4 Which word means the opposite of 'float'?
- 5 Have you ever been on a boat? Where did you go?
- 6 What games would you play in Pooja's pool?



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Complete the quizzes (continued)

Complete the quiz by submitting the answer to each question, and navigating through the quiz by clicking on the next question number in the circles below the quiz.



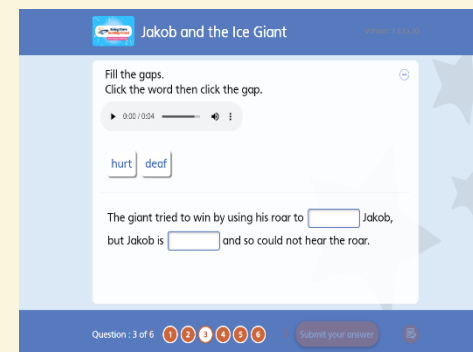
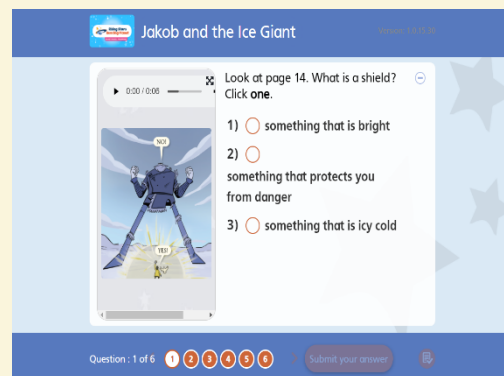
At the end of the quiz, click on the clipboard icon to submit all the answers. This quiz is also instantly marked, and your child is awarded a bronze, silver or gold star according to their score. If your child gets an answer wrong the first time, they will be given a second attempt. The latest attempt will feed through into the final score and reporting.

Your child will be given the opportunity to review their answers at the end of each quiz.

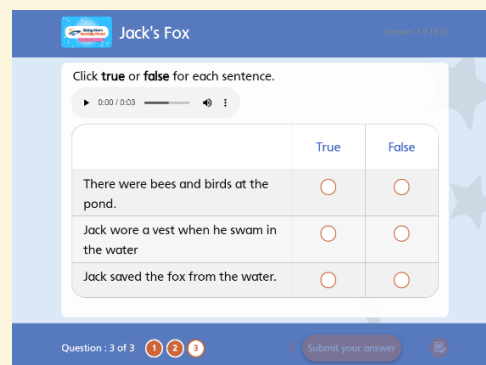
The quiz question types

The quizzes in *Rocket Phonics Online* consist of the following main question types:

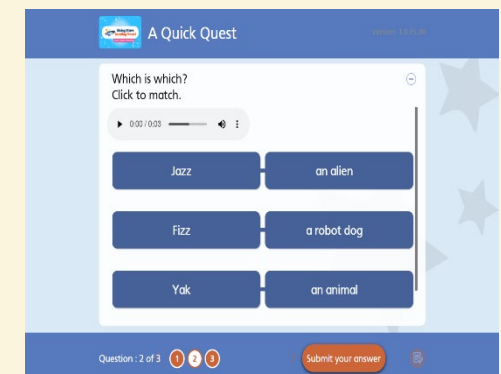
- **Multiple choice** – click in the circle next to the correct answer.
- **Fill in the gaps** – click on a word and then click on the correct gap to place the word there.



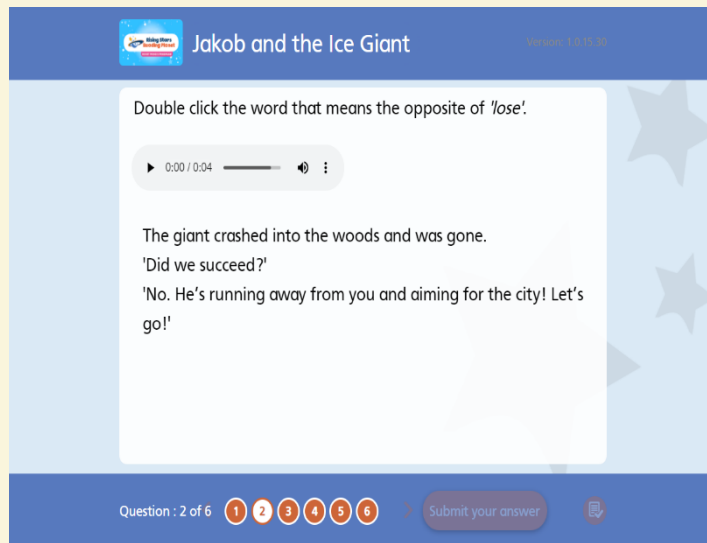
- **Complete the grid** – as with Multiple choice above, click on the circles next to the correct answers in the grid.



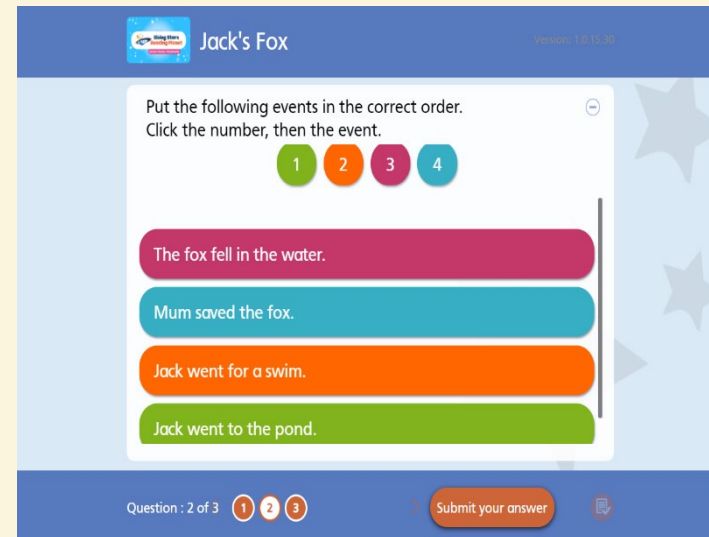
- **Connecting/sequencing** – click on an item in the left column and then click on the associated item in the right column to connect them.



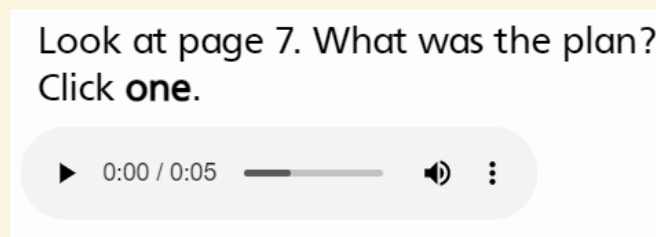
- **Highlight the right word** – click and drag to highlight the correct word. On an iPad, hold your finger down to highlight a single word and drag to highlight multiple words.



- **Matching** – click on a coloured lozenge at the top of the quiz and then click on the associated lozenge below, which becomes the same colour.



Note: The instruction lines for the quizzes are recorded and can be played using the audio button close to the instruction line.



Results and rewards



View your results and rewards

For each end-of-book quiz they complete, children will receive a bronze, silver or gold star, based on the proportion of correct answers they scored. These rewards can be viewed in the 'My achievements' section of the child's dashboard.

- **3 Marks**

Bronze: 0–36%

Silver: 37–72%

Gold: 73–100%

- **4 Marks**

Bronze: 0–50%

Silver: 51–78%

Gold: 79–100%

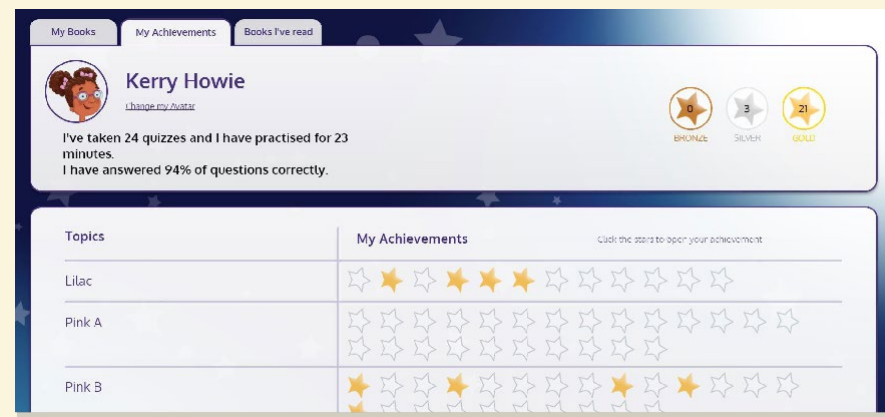
- **5 Marks**

Bronze: 0–59%

Silver: 60–79%

Gold: 80–100%

Teachers will be able to see how pupils are doing as a class or individually through the teacher reporting dashboard.



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Target Practice Readers

Ants!	Pink A/Reading Planet Level 1A
The Pan	
The Cog	
It Is Not a Dot!	
Pen the Hen	Pink B/Reading Planet Level 1B
Ducks	
Get Off, Bug!	
The Gull's Mess	
Jack's Fox	Red A/Reading Planet Level 2A
Six Kittens	
Up in the Attic	
A Quick Quest	

Target Practice Readers (cont.)

Fish Lunch	Red B/Reading Planet Level 2B
Wings and Things	
In The Book Nook	
Pooja's Pool	
Carla at the Market	Yellow/Reading Planet Level 3
Smart Shark	
The Clever Mirror	
The River Raft Dash	
Jake's Game	Blue/Reading Planet Level 4
No Holiday for Asaph	
Oatmeal Cookies	
The Peach Thief	
Scotland's Wildlife	
Spike the Spy	
The Old Bone Thief	
Rover Follows his Nose	

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Target Practice Readers (cont.)

The Stone Snake	Green/Reading Planet Level 5
Storm Rescue	
Bird Boy	
All Stuck Together	
My Lapland Trip	
The Worst Show in the World	

The Dance Palace	Orange/Reading Planet Level 6
Jakob and the Ice Giant	
Joe's Barge	
The Chaos Machine	
Clare the Climber	
Tom Thumb Saves the Day	
Pet Rabbits	

Target Practice Readers (cont.)

The Garden Gnome Detectives	Orange/Reading Planet Level 6 (cont.)
This is not an Adventure Story!	
The Missing Trophy Mystery	
Wanda Sky, Space Spy	
Javeed the Magician	

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On the Dot	Pink A/Reading Planet Level 1A
Mop It!	
Sit and Sip	
The Mat	
Not the Cat!	
No Gas!	
Cat Kit	
Cam and Tam	

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Rocket Phonics Readers (cont.)

Sid the Kid	Pink A/Reading Planet Level 1A (cont.)
Dig in the Pit	
Pip and the Map	
Sad Tig	
I Miss Mum	Pink B/Reading Planet Level 1B
The Egg	
Bad Luck, Duck!	
Miss Red	
The Mess	
Run a Lap	
Top Dogs	
Big Red Ed	
The Red Bag	
Bugs in Bed	
Hot Dogs	
Pop!	

Rocket Phonics Readers (cont.)

Lots of Pockets	Pink C/Reading Planet Level 1C
Pick a Pet	
Sam the Ram	
Tennis	
The Picnic	
The Sick Parrot	Red A/Reading Planet Level 2A
Gran's Grin	
Jam Muffins	
Picnic on Windmill Rock	
Ants in the Pants	
Lots to Spot	
Puffins	
Stop, Zebra!	
The Best Nest	
Jamila's Test	
Cob's Web	

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Rocket Phonics Readers (cont.)

The Tricks Tent	Red A/Reading Planet Level 2A (cont.)
In the Forest	
Lost!	Red B/Reading Planet Level 2B
Zigzag zebra	
Bug in the Bath	
Boatman Ben and the Fish	
Sasha Snail's Trip	
Chimpanzees	
Dress Up!	
The Flat	
Tanya Gets a Gift	
Crash, Bang, Boom!	
Max in Goal	
In the Fish Tank	

Rocket Phonics Readers (cont.)

At Night	Red C/Reading Planet Level 2C
Bobbee Gets Stuck	
Go to Sleep, Goats!	
Lost Sheep!	
The Parrot Tree	
Zack and the Bugs	Yellow/Reading Planet Level 3
Fun in the Park	
Howard and the Dentist	
Baxter Visits Bow Wow!	
The Big Turnip	
The Three Goats	
Blackbeard	
The Looking Glass	
Helen Sharman	
All Year Long	

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Rocket Phonics Readers (cont.)

Yasha and Baba	Yellow/Reading Planet Level 3 (cont.)
Cow on the Roof	
The Pot of Oats	
Bright Sun and Silver River	Yellow Plus/Reading Planet Level 3/4
Fluff the Little Owl	
Little Rat and the Arctic Fox	
Outback Animals	
The Lemon Tree	
The Scrap Yard	Blue/Reading Planet Level 4
The Hidden Lagoon	
Out of the Pond	
Shopping Mischief	
Town Under Attack	
Help Me, Teacher!	
Come Visit a Croft	

Rocket Phonics Readers (cont.)

The Imps and the Bootmaker	Blue/Reading Planet Level 4 (cont.)
Goldilocks Has Chicken Pox	
Painting Fun	
The Stone Troll	
Aladdin and the Lamp	
The Bean	Green/Reading Planet Level 5
The Queen's Garden Party	
The Water Serpent	
The Diving Contest	
Punk-zel	
I'm Not Scared	
World Book Day	
In the Desert	
Bella and the Beast	

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Rocket Phonics Readers (cont.)

Pirate Gold!	Green/Reading Planet Level 5 (cont.)
Football Stickers	
Superstar Sleepover	
The Nightingale	
The Class Show	Orange/Reading Planet Level 6
The Knitting Giant	
The Space Station	
The Magic Boots	
Alien School	
My New Glasses	
Leo the Lion Keeper	
So You Want to Be a Footballer?	
The Big Cake Mix-Up!	
Tiddalick	
The Adventure Machine	

Rocket Phonics Readers (cont.)

The Adventure Machine	Orange/Reading Planet Level 6 (cont.)
The Celebration Assembly	

Genres covered by Target Practice and Rocket Phonics reading books

Simple story	Recount/familiar setting
Recount	Retelling/traditional tale
Instruction book	Biography/history
Humorous story	Poetry
Traditional tale	Fantasy story
Information book	Non-fiction recount
Rhyming story	Humorous rhyming story
Moral tale	Family story
Rhyming traditional tale	Comic