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**Popcorn
ELT
Readers**

Motivate young learners

of English to read with

contemporary characters

they know and love!

Welcome to the exciting world of Popcorn ELT Readers!

Popcorn ELT Readers are the new series of low-level, graded readers from Scholastic. Based on popular films, TV series, and classic children's literature, Popcorn ELT Readers are targeted at students in the early stages of learning English. They are published at three levels following a carefully graded syllabus.

Why choose Popcorn ELT Readers?

Fun and motivating stories!

The Popcorn Readers make reading fun by bringing instantly recognisable films and TV series into the classroom. Students will be motivated to read and most importantly to keep on reading!

Illustrated throughout with full-colour graphics, the readers are designed to appeal to the new media-conscious generation of young language learners. Images on every page bring each story to life and are a valuable comprehension tool.

Appropriate level of challenge

The Popcorn ELT Readers are published at three language levels, all aimed at low-level students learning to read in English. The syllabus and headword lists have been carefully designed by a specialist language learning consultant and present a gradual but steady progression from level to level. For example, each level 1 title is told entirely in the present tense, ideal for



students taking their first steps in reading in English. Level 2 introduces the past tense in a controlled context, which is then built on further in level 3.

A 'New Words' page before each story introduces items of vocabulary that occur in the text, in addition to those in the headword list.

Level 1 (Early Beginner)

For students beginning to read in English

200 headwords

Story wordcount:
500 words

Level 2 (Mid-Beginner)

For students gaining confidence in reading in English

250 headwords

Story wordcount:
800 words

Level 3 (High Beginner)

For students reading confidently in English

300 headwords

Story wordcount:
1,100 words

What are headwords?

Headwords are the selection of words that students are expected to know at different stages of their language learning studies, without recourse to a dictionary.

Links to the real world

The 'Real World' spread after each story provides students with cross-curricular or cross-cultural information, linked to the content of the reader. Students can read about swamps in *Shrek*, the island of Madagascar in *Madagascar*, and Chinese inventions in *Kung Fu Panda*!

A full range of fun activities

Students learn languages in different ways and the five-page activity section in each Popcorn Reader reflects this, by catering for the student's multiple intelligences and learning styles. Activity types include matching, ordering, drawing and acting. Each reader ends with a fun chant, modelled on the audio CD.

Teacher's notes, audio and extra resources

Each Popcorn Reader comes with free online teacher's notes, providing suggestions on how to exploit the reader. Every Reader is also available with an audio recording of the story.



Check our website for interactive activities linked to each title too!

And ... don't forget the popcorn!

Each Popcorn Reader has the popcorn logo hidden somewhere in the reader. Can your students find it?



Inside Every Popcorn ELT Reader...

Meet ...

Introduction to the key characters before the start of every story.

Meet ... everyone from KUNG FU PANDA

Po is a panda. He works in his dad's noodle shop. He loves kung fu but he isn't very good at it.

Po's father has got a noodle shop. His noodles are special.

Master Shifu is a great kung fu teacher. He lives at the Jade Palace.

Master Oogway is a very old kung fu teacher. He knows a lot of things.

Tai Lung is in prison. He wants to be the Dragon Warrior but he is not a good man.

The Furious Five are very good at kung fu. They all want to be the Dragon Warrior.

Tigress, **Crane**, **Mantis**, **Viper**, **Monkey**

Dragon Scroll

Every fighter would like to be the Dragon Warrior. The Dragon Scroll is a very special book. It helps the Dragon Warrior.

Before you read ... What do you think? Who is going to be the Dragon Warrior?

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Puzzle time

A range of fun activities for different learning styles.

After you read

1 Yes or No? Read and circle.

a) Mr Bean loves popcorn.	Yes No
b) Mr Bean finds ice in the garden.	Yes No
c) Mr Bean is very strong.	Yes No
d) The cat likes Mr Bean.	Yes No
e) Mr Bean finds the dinosaur in the kitchen.	Yes No
f) Mr Bean plays with the dentist's chair.	Yes No
g) The dinosaur is purple.	Yes No
h) The dentist gives Mr Bean a new tooth.	Yes No

2 Match the sentence halves.

a) Mr Bean puts ice	under the string.
b) Mr Bean does not like	the dinosaur's horn,
c) The red car goes	with teddy,
d) Mr Bean cuts	on his face.
e) Mr Bean puts the airbirds	the cat.
f) Mr Bean watches TV	under the drawers.

Where's the popcorn!
Look in your book. Can you find it?

Puzzle time!

1a Find the six differences.

1b Now read and write A or B.

a) There is a book under the table.	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) The girl is sad.	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) There are two pictures.	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) A man is wearing a blue t-shirt.	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) The old man's mouth is open.	<input type="checkbox"/>
f) Teddy is on the chair.	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Real world

Cross-curricular and cross-cultural information, linked to the topics or themes of the reader.

Real World

LIVING ON A FARM

A lot of our food comes from farms. We talked to some children about living on a farm.

I help with the hens on our farm. I find their eggs and give them their food every day. Sometimes I wash the hen house too. I love the animals on our farm, but sometimes it's too quiet. We don't live near the cinema or big shops?

hen

Megan, 11

What food comes from the farm?
What doesn't Mia like about living on a farm?

fruit

My mum and dad have a fruit farm. From June to September, people come here and pick the fruit. I pick it too. If people buy my fruit at our shop, I can help them.

What food comes from Megan's farm?
When do people pick the fruit?

COW

When I'm not at school, I take food to the cows in the tractor. It's great! The cows are a lot of work for my dad. He has to milk them at five o'clock in the morning and again in the evening. Because of the cows, he never goes away from the farm for a night.

What drink comes from the farms?
How does Kyle help on the farm?

Kyle, 14

Would you like to live on a farm? Why/why not?

What do these words mean? Find out.
food cinema pick milk

Imagine... and Chant

Motivating drama and chanting activities.

Imagine ...

1 Work with two friends. Act out the scenes.

a) Alex and Melman: Happy Birthday, Marty!
Marty: I'm ten years old and I'm always in this zoo. Come to the wild with me!
Alex: The wild? But everyone loves me here!
Melman: And there's no medicine there!

b) Alex and Gloria: Where am I?
Gloria: In a box. We're on a boat.
Melman: We're going to a new zoo.
Alex: I don't want a new zoo!

c) Alex and Marty: Can we go home now?
Marty: No! The wild is cool!
Gloria: Thanks, Marty! This is nice!
Alex: It's green! I can't eat this.

Chant

1 Listen to the chant.

Marty and Alex
Live in a zoo,
With Gloria the hippo,
And Melman too.

Marty's a zebra.
He's black and white.
He isn't very happy.
He runs away one night.

Alex is a lion.
And lions like meat.
He's hungry in the wild.
What can he eat?

He wants his friends for dinner,
But that's not OK.
"There's a boat!" says Marty.
"We're going home today."

2 Say the chant.

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Ice Age

Ice Age is set at the dawn of the Ice Age. Manny, a woolly mammoth, Sid, an amusing sloth, and Diego, a hungry sabre-toothed tiger, team up to save a human baby. As they journey across the ice to return the child to its father, Manny, Sid and Diego face many adventures together and become unlikely but firm friends.

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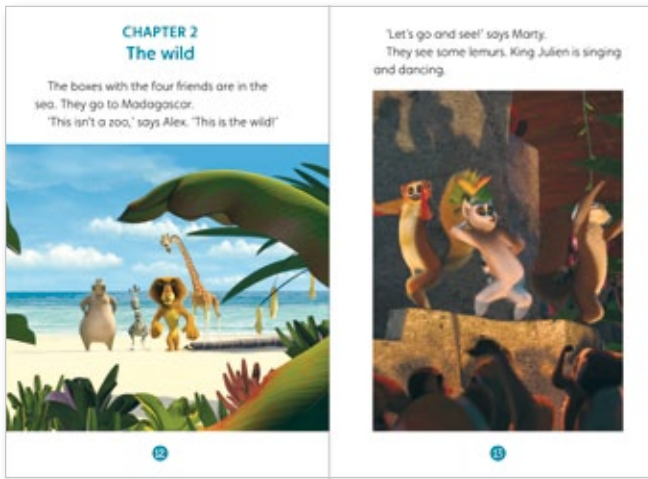
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Madagascar

In the New York Zoo, Alex, a lion; Marty, a zebra; Melman, a giraffe; and Gloria, a hippo; are best friends. But when Marty escapes in a bid to experience life outside the zoo, his three friends break free to find him. Their travels take them across the ocean en route for Africa, until an accident on board finds the animals washed up on the beautiful but bewildering island of Madagascar.

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Mr Bean: Royal Bean

Mr Bean loves the Queen and drinks his tea from a mug with her picture on it. When he accidentally breaks the mug, his search for a new one takes him inside Buckingham Palace itself.

A comic strip reader featuring the internationally acclaimed character, Mr Bean.

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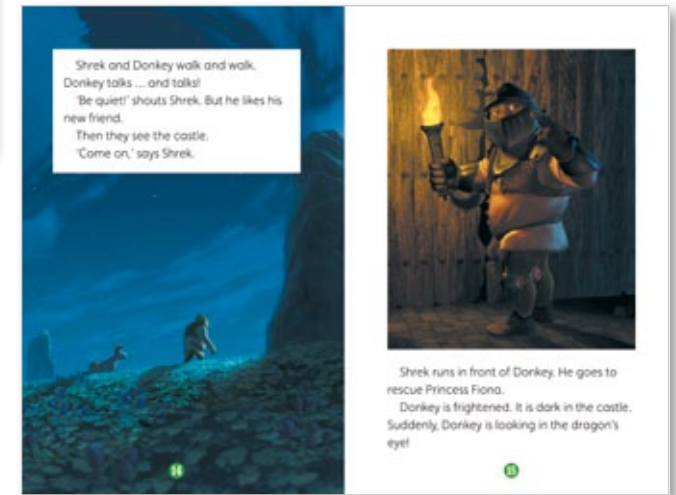
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Shrek

When Shrek's swamp becomes overrun with fairy tale characters, he is less than happy. Desperate to get his home back to normal, Shrek agrees to rescue a princess on behalf of the unscrupulous Lord Farquaad. But once Shrek meets Princess Fiona, he starts to have doubts about his mission to find Lord Farquaad a wife.

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Ice Age : The Meltdown

The heroic trio from Ice Age, Manny, Sid and Diego, realise their valley is under threat from flooding as temperatures rise and the ice around them begins to melt. They set out to find a boat which is said to be at the end of the valley. The friends meet Ellie, a female mammoth, along the way. But will Manny and Ellie be able to overcome their differences and the dangers on their journey to fall in love?

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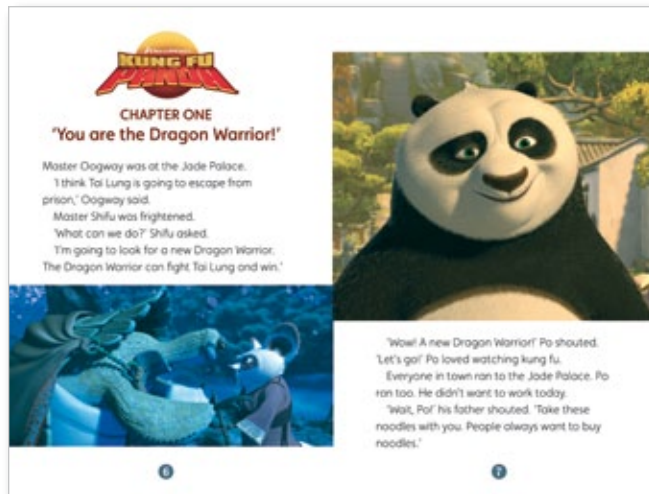
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Kung Fu Panda

Po is clumsy and round but dreams of becoming a kung fu master. When a contest is held to choose the Dragon Warrior — the best kung fu warrior in China — Po is chosen, much to his amazement. Later the Valley of Peace is shocked to hear that imprisoned kung fu master, Tai Lung, has escaped. Can Po believe in himself and his destiny and defeat him?

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Madagascar 2: Escape to Africa

Alex and friends are back in the sequel to Madagascar! Marooned on the island of Madagascar, the animals commandeered an old plane with a view to flying back to New York. Instead, the plane takes the zoo-raised posse back to their roots when it crash lands on the plains of Africa. Have they got what it takes to survive in the wild, far away from the urban jungle?

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Mr Bean: Toothache

Mr Bean has toothache, but his attempts to extract the painful tooth only make things worse. Finally he plucks up the courage to visit the dentist...

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Shrek 2

Shrek and Princess Fiona are back from their honeymoon and living happily in Shrek's swamp. But when the King and Queen of Far Far Away summon their daughter and her new husband to the palace, things start to go wrong. Is there such a thing as 'happily ever after' for Shrek and his ogre princess?

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Ice Age 3: Dawn of the Dinosaurs

In this third Ice Age story, mammoths Manny and Ellie are expecting a baby. But Manny's friends, Diego and Sid, feel left out. Sid finds and adopts three very large eggs, which hatch into baby dinosaurs. When their mother comes to claim them back, she carries Sid off too. The friends set off to rescue Sid, encountering fierce dinosaurs along the way. But who, or what, is Rudy?

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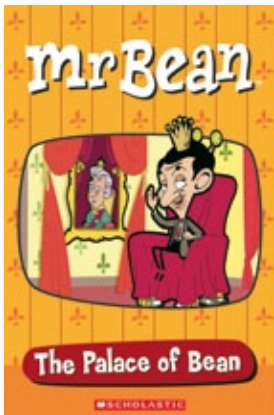


Kung Fu Panda 2: The Kaboom of Doom

Po is now living his dream as the Dragon Warrior, protecting the Valley of Peace alongside his friends and fellow kung fu masters, The Furious Five. But Po's new life is threatened by the emergence of a formidable villain, who plans to use a secret, unstoppable weapon to conquer China and destroy kung fu. Does Po have the strength to vanquish this terrible threat?

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Mr Bean: The Palace of Bean

When Mr Bean sees a documentary on the Queen's taste in interior design, he decides to decorate his home in the style of Buckingham Palace. But when a passing American tourist thinks his mock palace is the real thing, Mr Bean finds himself on the tourist trail.

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Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang

Norman, Megsie and Vincent live on a farm in the country. Their father is away fighting in the war and their mother is struggling to make ends meet. When their spoilt cousins from London come to stay, it is hate at first sight and the house becomes a battle zone. Enter Nanny McPhee – the nanny who's just that little bit different...

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Shrek the Third

There's trouble in the swamp when Princess Fiona's father, King Harold, dies leaving Shrek as the new ruler of Far Far Away. Shrek has no ambitions to be King. With the help of Donkey and Puss In Boots, he sets out to find Artie, the one true heir to the throne. But the friends had not reckoned on the intervention of Prince Charming who is set on ruining their plans...

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Shrek Forever After

Frustrated with his home life, Shrek makes a deal with fairy-tale trickster Rumpelstiltskin, giving him a day of his life in exchange for a day as a free and single ogre. But Shrek falls headlong into an alternative reality where Rumpelstiltskin is King, Princess Fiona is a freedom fighter and Shrek himself has never existed. Can he undo Rumpelstiltskin's spell?

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Lord Farquaad wants to marry the beautiful Princess Fiona. He wants to be a king.
Princess Fiona lives in a dark castle with a dragon. She is sad because she can't go out.



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Shrek

LEVEL 1: 200 headwords (story up to 500 words)

Sample language includes: present simple, present continuous, *can* for ability, simple adverbs of frequency.

The sample language does not include all elements of the full syllabus for this level.



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CHAPTER FOUR 'You can't win!'

Tai Lung was at the Jade Palace. He hurt Master Shifu again and again.

Suddenly Po was there. The Dragon Scroll was in his hand. 'I'm the Dragon Warrior!' he cried.

Tai Lung laughed. 'You? You're fat! You can't win! Soon I'm going to be the Dragon Warrior. Give me the Scroll!'



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Kung Fu Panda

LEVEL 2: 250 headwords (story up to 800 words)

Sample language includes: past simple & some common irregular pasts, *going to* future, *would like* + infinitive.

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CHAPTER TWO
Pig problems



A woman came to the door. She had black clothes, a long stick and a horrible face. 'I'm Nanny McPhee,' she said. 'I'm here because you need me.'

'Stop fighting, children,' said Nanny McPhee. The children didn't listen. Nanny McPhee moved her stick and suddenly the children stopped fighting.

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Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang

LEVEL 3: 300 headwords (story up to 1100 words)

Sample language includes: past simple, and some common irregular pasts, *going to* future, *must* and *have to*, regular comparatives and superlatives, simple infinitive of purpose.

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