

## What people say about We Are Writers

"We Are Writers provides a simple, motivating way to publish and celebrate children's writing. **Every school will want to take part**." Pie Corbett

"It's wonderful that Scholastic have started this **brilliant writing project** so that every child now has the chance of seeing their work properly published in a real, stylish book. I would have given anything to have such a chance when I was young!" Jacqueline Wilson, Children's Laureate 2005-2007

"It made the children **really enjoy writing** and actually encouraged children to push themselves further – we all enjoyed it!" St Gabriel's RC Primary School, Tamworth, Staffs

"A **once-in-a-lifetime experience** for a child and parent to have their work in print." Bryngwyn Primary School, Abertillery, Gwent

"Even well-known writers get a real lift when their work is published, and, for children, the experience of seeing their writing in a 'real book'; can be **the key to them seeing themselves as 'real writers'."** David Wray, Deputy Director and Professor of Literacy Education, University of Warwick

"The children were very excited by the whole process; it gave them a **real purpose for writing.** The only disappointment they had was realising that their book would not be on sale in WH Smiths!" St George Primary School, Abergele, Conwy

"The first time I was in this book **my Mum was so proud of me she bought seven copies** and sent it to her relatives all around the world." Year
4 pupil, St Mary's C of E Primary School, London

"It was really good seeing my chapter in a REAL book because **it gave me hope that one day I could be a professional author**." Year 6 pupil, Crabtree Junior School, Harpenden, Hertfordshire



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"We Are Writers as well as other initiatives have **helped raise the percentage of children getting Level 4 and above in their Key Stage 2 SATs** from 60% to 85%." St Mary's C of E Primary School, Brent, London

"We Are Writers is a **very inspirational project especially for the boys who were reluctant writers** as having their work published gave them a real sense of identity and purpose." St Mary's C of E Primary School, Brent, London

"The end product was really well made. Parents, children and staff were all really excited by it. It was **a great achievement** – one way to get kids writing is to give them an audience – they loved it! 5 year olds went home and told their parents they were authors!" Even Swindon Primary School, Swindon, Wiltshire

"Easily one of the most rewarding projects I have done in my teaching career and all the better for the fact that it was easy to run and didn't involve hours of extra work (apart from the teaching to get the good writing – but that is my job!). Thank you!" The European School of Brussels, Brussels, Belgium

"The Year 6 pupils are always so excited and proud of their book and they can not wait to show the rest of the school. We Are Writers is **very easy and simple to run** and we will definitely be doing the project again next year!" Crabtree Junior School, Harpenden, Hertfordshire

"I think it is a privilege to be in the book because everyone can see the work you have done in the school and you can share it with your friends." Year 6 pupil, St Mary's C of E Primary School, Brent, London

"It is nice for the children at the end of Year 6 to have a **memento** that they can take away and remind them of their time here." Crabtree Junior School, Harpenden, Hertfordshire