



Serial Mash is an online library of fiction books.

There are stories about almost everything – from pirates and football to magical creatures and children who gain strange powers. And each book has quizzes and activities to explore, too. Start your first chapter now and begin an adventure.

Simply log on to Purple mash using the following link: https://www.purplemash.com/login/

The click on the serial mash button.



### Then select the age appropriate button:



KS1 children (5-7yrs)



Lower KS2 (7-9yrs)



Upper KS2 (9-11yrs)



Books to motivate reluctant readers



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# Detailed breakdown of the activities

## With each chapter, you get:



#### The chapter (Online and PDF)

- This can be read online where you can adjust the text size, font and colours. You
  can also click on underlined words to bring up a definition.
- Alternatively, you can download the PDF available inside the chapter to print and read offline.



#### Online multiple choice quiz (online)

 Test your knowledge of the chapter with the fast paced game-show style quizzes.



#### Multiple choice quiz (PDF)

 For those who prefer not to do the quiz online, we have prepared the quiz as a PDF that is ready to print and complete in class. This uses the same questions as the online quiz.



### Story sequencing activity (PDF)

 In this activity you are presented with events from the chapter and asked to put them in order.



#### Spelling, punctuation and grammar activity (PDF)

 Here you are given a selection of activities that will help build on students' SPaG skills.



#### Open ended questions activity (PDF)

 These questions ask for answers based on the chapter. Students have to use their knowledge of the chapter and their comprehension skills to answer.



# Extended writing activity (online)

- These activities are created using Purple Mash's publishing program and are developed specifically for each chapter.
- Each activity is designed based around the content of the chapter and contain sentence prompts and clipart as appropriate.



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# Overview

Serial Mash is an online library of fiction books for children. Its purpose is to inspire children to read for pleasure. New books are added at the beginning of each half-term and released in a serial format to keep readers on the edge of their seats. The main library is aimed at children aged 7-11 years old but we also have some books aimed at KS1 children.

# **Ethos**

Serial Mash is designed to inspire children to develop a love of reading, become better readers and provide support to busy teachers in the classroom.

Through the publication of bespoke weekly fiction Serial Mash leaves every chapter on a cliff hanger encouraging children to keep returning to find out what happens next. Home access is a key part of Serial Mash providing all children, regardless of background, with a growing library they can read for pleasure away from school. Everyone at Serial Mash is committed to helping children have a love of reading and develop the key life skill of reading.

The resources accompanying each chapter help ensure the children develop the skills to become higher level readers and save the teacher's time on preparing them for themselves.

## How it works



- Children should click on the Serial Mash button on the on the Home Screen.
- New books are added at the start of each half-term.
  - Children get the KS2 books a chapter at a time.
    - New chapters are released on Mondays.
    - Each KS2 book is designed to last the length of the half term in which it is released.





