

ENGLISH · ADULT REFERENCE

# Reading for Pleasure — Whole-School Strategy

The single most important thing English Leads do

## Why reading for pleasure matters most

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## The Open University 4-strand model

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**Strand 1 — Reading environments**

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**Strand 2 — Reading teachers**

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**Strand 3 — Reading aloud**

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**Strand 4 — Informal book talk**

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**Reluctant readers — what helps**

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**Measuring reading for pleasure**

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**English Lead's RfP audit — annual**

■ Every classroom has a well-stocked, attractive book corner

■ Daily read-aloud happens in every classroom (no questions attached)

■ School library is well-stocked, current, and inviting

■ Each classroom displays what the teacher is currently reading



- Children talk about books to each other regularly
- Audio books are available and recommended
- Reading culture is celebrated visibly — author visits, book days, displays
- Reluctant readers are matched to books they'll actually read
- Parents engaged in reading-at-home (newsletters, tips)
- RfP is part of staff CPD — at least one INSET per year

