



STORY BOX LIBRARY

The best place to watch celebrated stories read aloud by the best of Australian and New Zealand storytellers.

Story Box Library is a subscription based, trusted and safe online educational resource created for children and enjoyed by librarians, teachers, students, professionals and families around the world.

It's Storytime, Anytime!



A growing library of thoughtfully-curated stories

Story Box Library (SBL) understands the importance of reading, singing, rhyme and play to build the foundations of literacy which libraries already deliver.

With a full subscription, library staff and patrons have access to an ever-growing library of quality stories and supporting resources, ideal for children from their preschool years onwards.

SBL streams ad-free, non-animated content directly onto any device with Internet connection. Use it in between storytime reads, in dedicated technology or children's spaces, to extend your shelved collection and encourage families to access from home.

It can also be used as a resource to safely expose children to a wide range of media - print plus digital, reading to oneself, reading aloud, animation - and they can effectively engage and interact with these media-based resources.

- **Delivers the precious read-aloud storytelling experience to children.**
- **Engages children with diverse stories and voices, helping them to make personal connections to their world.**
 - **Develops vital language and literacy skills.**
 - **Gets kids excited about reading and lets imaginations fly!**



Stories created and read by diverse storytellers

We believe stories hold up a mirror to the world, allowing us to actively engage with the stories of those around us or those far away. We want kids to connect to more than the stories read aloud, or printed on pages of books.

Story Box Library is committed to providing a diverse and inclusive library, and effectively changing the narrative that happens by involving children in the process.



Additional features and benefits



Designed to be incorporated into library offerings already in place, accompany special literacy events, or as a suggestion for families to continue story engagement at home, our additional features inspire young minds! Our stories are also designed as a tool for inclusivity with multiple viewing options that can be used with children of varying ages and abilities.

Activity Time

Often with a focus on art or play, each Activity Time provides families and librarians ways to further engage children with the themes, concepts and characters in stories, through downloadable instructions and instructional high-quality video content. Activity Time promotes an active and balanced lifestyle for young children, and is an opportunity for community engagement or family connection.

Short Films

Focusing on a range of topics, and running between 1-10 minutes, each Short Film can be used in conjunction with story readings in the library, incorporated into a library program or event, or as a fun activity for families to watch at home.



Literacy and language development

With rich vocabulary, text structures and language devices, and an ever-growing library of stories, visitors are sure to find a story to engage every child regardless of age, ability or background. Via storytellers modeling volume, tone, pace, facial expressions, body language and the addition of music and sound effects, our stories also support behaviour modeling and learning.

Audio-visual support

Closed captions support students with hearing impairments or difficulties, or those learning English as an Additional or Second Language (EAL or ESOL), allowing them to follow along with a text being read aloud by our storytellers. For students with vision impairments or with specific learning disorders (SLDs), such as dyslexia, SBL also provides audio support.

Community programs and events

You can show SBL stories on any screen in your library, to either encourage engagement or for free-of-charge in-house programs and events, from storytimes to book clubs to school holiday events.

Supporting full patron access

We support access via SIP2 or barcode range authentication, domain recognition, and IP address recognition, making the library patron login process quick and easy. A complete collection of SBL MARC records with monthly updates is available, linking our stories with ISBN numbers to your library catalogue. By accessing user statistics, you can discover the stories your patrons are loving.



We love stories!

Our resource keeps traditional storytelling alive in a digital world. SBL is committed to showcasing the power of stories as tools to help us communicate, connect, learn, empathise, analyse, evaluate and grow, and to provoke curiosity, discussion, imagination, play and inspiration.

Three simple steps to trial:

1. Visit storyboxlibrary.com.au/subscriptions/libraries and complete the online form to set up a free trial for your library.
2. Share trial and log in information with your colleagues.
3. You will be contacted throughout your trial with tips to help you get the most out of your SBL trial. At the end of your trial, your James Bennett representative will contact you with information about signing up for a 12-month subscription.

N.B. 30 day trial is obligation free and you do not need to opt out.

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