



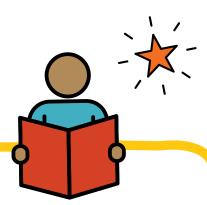


**Lesson Plan** 

# Sharing Stories – Exploring the work of Book Aid International

**Key Stage: KS1** 

Lesson duration: 1 hour



## Learning Objectives:

## By the end of the lesson, pupils will:

- Understand the importance of books and reading
- Recognise that not all children around the world have access to books
- Learn about the work of Book Aid International
- Reflect on how they can help others through kindness and sharing
- Develop empathy and global awareness

## **Curriculum Links:**

- English: Speaking and listening, reading comprehension, writing for a purpose
- Geography: Understanding the wider world
- PSHE: Empathy, global citizenship, valuing education
- Art and design: Poster-making or book cover design

### **Resources Needed:**

- Projector or smartboard
- Map or globe
- Internet access or pre-downloaded video about Book Aid International
- Paper, pens, coloured pencils

## Lesson Outline:



## 1. Starter activity (10 mins): "Our favourite books"

- Ask children to sit in a circle and share the name of their favourite book
- Write the names on the board or a big poster titled "Books we love"
- Ask: Why do we love books? What do books help us do?
- Key answers: learn, imagine, feel happy, go on adventures

## 2. Main input (15 mins): Who is Book Aid International?

- Display a world map: highlight some countries where Book Aid International works
  Ask: Do you think all children have books like we do?
- Show a video or presentation about Book Aid International
- Explain their mission: to provide books and support reading in places where books are scarce. Ask: How do you think these children feel when they get a book?

## **Key Messages:**

- Books help children learn, dream, and imagine
- Some schools have no books
- Book Aid International sends brand-new, carefully chosen books

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## 3. Group discussion (10 mins): Helping others

- Discuss how it feels to give and share
- Ask: How can we help others in small ways
- Write answers on the board to explore themes: knowledge, joy, empathy, escape

## 4. Creative activity options (20 mins):

## Choose one or two:

## A. Design a poster to promote the power of books

- Theme: "Books for everyone"
- Or create a poster promoting your Story Space activities

## B. A Book for a friend

- Children draw or write about a book they would like to share with a child somewhere else in the world
- Prompts: What's the book? Why would they like it? How would it help someone?
  - Each child "donates" their drawing into a decorated box labelled "Books for the world"

## 5. Plenary (5 mins): Reflection

- Recap: What did we learn about books? What does Book Aid International do
- Display a world map and pin countries Book Aid works in (e.g., Ghana, Kenya, Syria).
- Finish with a big cheer: "Books for everyone!"