Why is reading (for pleasure) important?



Reading for pleasure is an enjoyable, life-enhancing activity which needs to be developed during the teenage years. It is a strong determinant of academic success and future social mobility.



All English speaking/reading teens in the UK (13-17 year old focus).

Specifically those who struggle to find appealing and age-appropriate reading material and/or motivation to do so.

They may

Be intelligent, interested in reading, but lack good reading skills (speed /comprehension);

Have excellent reading skills, but no interest in reading and therefore *need* stimulating;

Have good reading skills, enjoy reading, but struggle to find 'what to read next'.





Getting teen reading back on track

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What is TRAC?



TRAC (Teen Reading Action Campaign) is a newly formed small charity whose aim is to promote reading and the love of books amongst teenagers, and specifically 'reluctant readers'.

Why is TRAC needed?



There are a lot of literacy charities in the UK, but none is dedicated to promoting the enjoyment of reading amongst teenagers and to helping them access relevant reading material.



Projects



BOOK is an interactive web app developed to provide teens with personalised recommended reads analysing users' personal profiles and genre/book style preferences. It allows reading on-line, borrowing through on-line or physical libraries, or via the Amazon purchasing for e-reader or hardcopy format.



TRAC1000 is aimed at identifying 1000 books which will be actively promoted to teens, fully tagged by genre and by TRAC's unique reading skill/adult content badging.

TRAYLL

Teens Register At Your Local Library

Via TRAYLL, TRAC will promote teen library registration and libraries' e-book offer.

Why join?



Originally set up by UCL students, TRAC offers a great opportunity for people from different spheres to challenge and enrich their skills while making their contribution into teen reading promotion.

How to support?



TRAC is currently raising funds for its projects.

For more details on how you can make a donation, please visit TRAC's website tracbook.com.

