

# Children's Book Project



IT'S EASY TO RUN A BOOK DRIVE.  
HERE'S HOW!



## Choose your dates

Invite your community to drop off their pre-loved children's books. A two week window is best. Think about dates that would generate the most donations, for example, a celebration day or week, or after holidays.



## Promote widely and frequently

Use our poster and social media templates to alert everyone. It helps to send out reminder messages. These are available on our [website](http://www.childrensbookproject.co.uk).



## Collect your books

Find a box and place it somewhere prominent. Use our poster to signpost it. Or email [anna@childrensbookproject.co.uk](mailto:anna@childrensbookproject.co.uk) to order one of our beautiful bright yellow cardboard dumpbins. These are £40 each and are usually delivered within 3 weeks.



## What sorts of books?

We love most good condition contemporary books not printed more than 10 years ago. Avoid ex library, religious, foreign language & text books as these can't be gifted onwards.

# WHAT TO DO NEXT WITH DONATED BOOKS?

## In London, Birmingham or Leeds?

Books can be delivered straight to one of our Book HQs:

- London: 9 Golborne Road, W10 5NY
  - Leeds: Seagulls, 129 Water Lane, LS11 9UD
  - Birmingham: Unit 32, Mondi Birmingham Limited, B37 7HE
- (Contact us to check opening times)



## Rest of the UK?

We ask groups to count, sort and box their books before delivering them to one of our partner schools. Find a local school [here](#).

We also have some Donation Hubs who collect books on our behalf - you can also locate these using our [map](#).



## MAKE BOOK SORTING PART OF YOUR EVENT



## We provide:

- How To video
- Printable guides
- Box stickers
- Thank you's

Remember to celebrate your efforts on social media and tag us using the links below.





## BOOK SORTING GUIDE

### 1. Gather your team together

This is a fun team building event. Choose a date and find a space with tables. People love to talk about what they find as they sort donations.

Engage your Duke of Edinburgh volunteers, Student Ambassadors, Eco Team or other group at your school, community setting or office to help promote the event. The wider your supporters, the more books you will collect.



### 2. Weed out tatty and unwanted books

Damaged, tatty, old, adult, foreign language & academic books should be removed and recycled / taken to a charity shop.



### 3. Watch our Book Sorting video

Our 5 minute How To video shows your team how to organise and sort your books. Receiving books that have been organised and boxed properly makes a huge difference to time-poor schools.

### 4. Organise your books into 8 categories

Our printable guide is another tool to help your team organise books by reading stage.



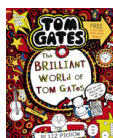
1. Baby board books  
Stiff, cardboard pages



2. Picture books  
High image: word ratio  
All shapes & sizes



4. Early readers  
Skinny paperbacks



5. Younger chapter books  
Accessible, fun books with  
familiar themes



6. Older chapter books  
More complex themes & text.  
Still primary age.



7. Non fiction  
Any fact or activity books  
for under 11s



8. Teens books  
Older, more adult  
content

### 5. Count, box and label books for delivery



Email us to let us know how many books you've collected.

For books being delivered to our recipient schools and groups we can send you Children's Book Project box stickers and afterwards will send a thank you certificate for your team.



Remember to celebrate your efforts on social media and tag us using the links below.