

## **Book Groups**

Do you enjoy reading and talking about books? Reading Libraries run several book groups. For more details of when and where these meet see further down this page.

### **Book Group Sets Service**

If you would like to start your own book group, we can help by providing information on how to do this, and by lending copies of our [Book Group Sets](#). This is a service especially for reading groups, to enable them to borrow up to 15 copies of any two titles for an eight week period.

#### **How to join**

Simply choose a member of your group to be the 'named user' and then they need to visit the Central Library to join as a book group. If the named user lives outside the Reading Borough, the group will pay £5.00 per set borrowed.

#### **What is available?**

We have over 150 titles available for loan, and we welcome suggestions for new additions to the collection.

Sets must be booked in advance, please ask at Reading Central Library ground floor enquiry desk, phone 0118 901 5950 or email [bookgroups@reading.gov.uk](mailto:bookgroups@reading.gov.uk).

### **Book Groups - Adult**

Reading Libraries run several book groups. If you are interested in joining one of the groups below, please use the contact details provided for that group. For general enquiries, please contact Sarah Hernik on 0118 901 5955, or email [bookgroups@reading.gov.uk](mailto:bookgroups@reading.gov.uk)

#### **Southcote Library Book Group**

Our book group meets on the 2nd Friday of the month, at 10.30, in Southcote Hall next to the library. We meet for coffee, chat and lively discussion! New members welcome. Please contact the Library on 0118 901 5109 for more details.

#### **Battle Library Book Group**

Our book group meets every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 11am. New members welcome. Please contact the Library on 0118 901 5100 for more details.

#### **Tilehurst Library Book Group**

Our book group meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month, at 10.30am, in Tilehurst Library. New members welcome. Please contact the Library on 0118 901 5112 for more details.

#### **Non-fiction Book Group**

Our non-fiction book group meets every 6 weeks on Saturdays at 11 am on the second floor of the Central Library. New members are welcome. Please contact the Library on 0118 901 5955 for more details.

### **Crime Fiction Book Group**

Our crime fiction group meets every 6 weeks on a Saturday at Central Library at 11am. We read a wide range of crime fiction from the golden age to the current Scandinavian authors! Please contact the Library on 0118 901 5955 for more details.

### **Reading Central Book Group**

Our book group meets every 6 weeks on a Saturday at 10am. New members welcome. Please contact Miriam Palfrey on 0118 901 5955 for more details.

### **Caversham Library Book Group**

Our book group meets on the 2nd Tuesday of every month, 6-7 pm at Caversham Library. Please contact the Library on 0118 901 5103 for more details.

### **Book Group for Visually Impaired People**

Reading Libraries has a book group for visually impaired people. We listen to books on MP3 discs instead of reading the printed version. Multiple copies of discs are supplied by Calibre. We hold regular meetings on the 4th Thursday of each month in the Central Library from 2.30 - 3.30pm. New members welcome. Please contact Jacky Mathewson or Sarah Hernik on 0118 901 5955 for more details.

### **Book Groups - Children**

#### **Caversham Library Children's Club**

Book based games and activities for 7-11 yrs on last Tuesday and Thursday of the month, 4- 5pm, term time only. Please contact the Library on 0118 937 5103 for more details.

#### **Palmer Park Chatterbooks Group**

Held at Palmer Park Library in Reading on the last Thursday of the month, 4-4.45pm for confident and enthusiastic readers aged 8-11 yrs, term time only. Please contact the library on 0118 937 5106 for more details.

#### **Caversham Library Children's Library Club**

Book based games and activities for 7-11 yrs on last Tuesday and Thursday of the month, 4- 5pm, term time only. Please contact the Library on 0118 937 5103 for more details.

### **Top Storey Writers' Group**

Creative writing group

Every kind of writing welcomed: Fiction and non-fiction, poetry and prose, life writing/memoirs, flash fiction, short stories, novels, novellas, scripts, plays and screenplays, any genre

For novice, published and unpublished authors

Morning, from 10am to 12noon

Free, new members welcome

For more information, contact Caroline Lakeman. Tel :0118 901 5969

Meets twice monthly, every second Saturday and last Saturday of each month.

### **Reading Library Writers' Group**

First Saturday every month, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Central Library

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