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Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Today we are launching our eLibrary, which means that you will be able to access books online at home and in school. We know that you are all keen readers, and we are very excited to be able to provide you with this opportunity.

Your class teacher will be in touch with your log in details via Class Dojo – please look out for this info!

All books are set by your class teacher, and are set within the phonics level or ZPD level that you are working on depending on your individual reading journey.

Please see below for the advice from Collins – the provider of the eLibrary. This information shows you how to access your books.

Finally, this is new for everyone, so please bear with your class teacher as we learn to use this platform effectively.

Thank you for your continued support,

HAPPY READING!!

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## Collins Big Cat ebook libraries Parent Guide

### Logging in

To access your child's Big Cat ebooks, go to:

<https://ebooks.collinsopenpage.com/> (see right).

Enter the username and password located at the top of this page.

If you misplace your password, contact your school.

### Library

Once logged in, you will land on the library. Here you will see any books that have been assigned to your child by their teacher. You can access a resource sheet for each book by clicking the three dots, then "Resources", as shown below.

Collins ebooks

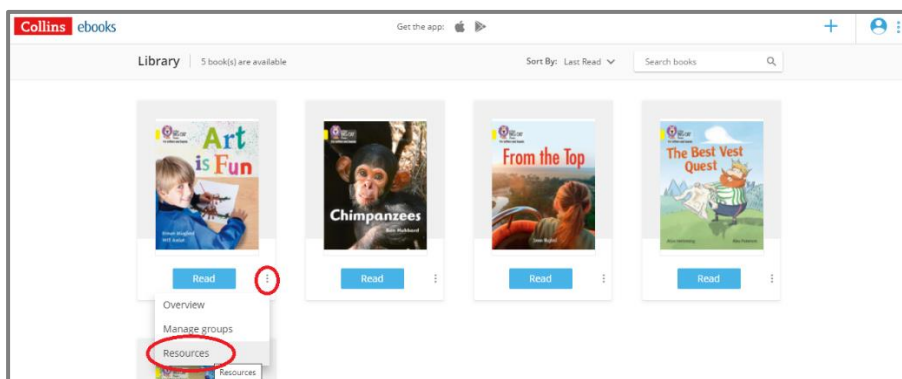
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### The reader

To open one of the books, select either the cover or the "Read" button. You will see this screen.



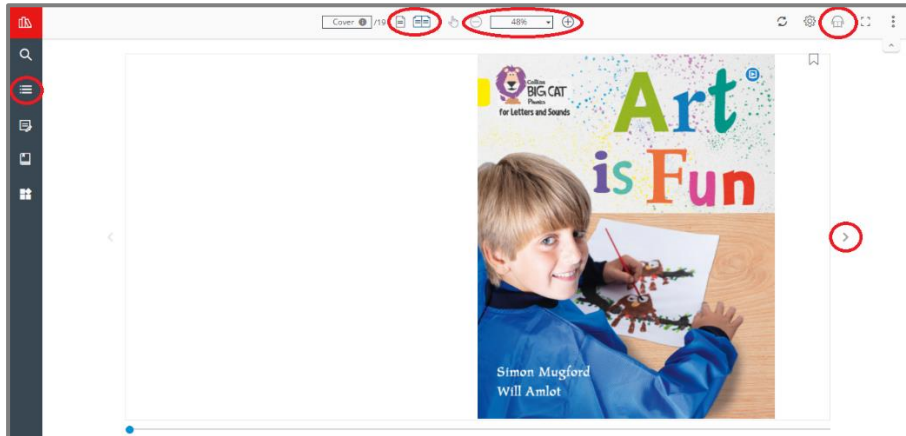
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Some key elements of the reader are highlighted in the above image:

- Use the arrows either side of the page to leaf through the book.
- Use the single and double page icons to switch between those two views. Many of the Big Cat books are best experienced using the double page view.
- Use the zoom function as required. The “Fit to width” option helps you to make best use of your screen
- For longer books, you can use the Table of Contents in the left hand menu to navigate.
- Don't worry about remembering where you left off. When you next open the book, you will start from where you left off.



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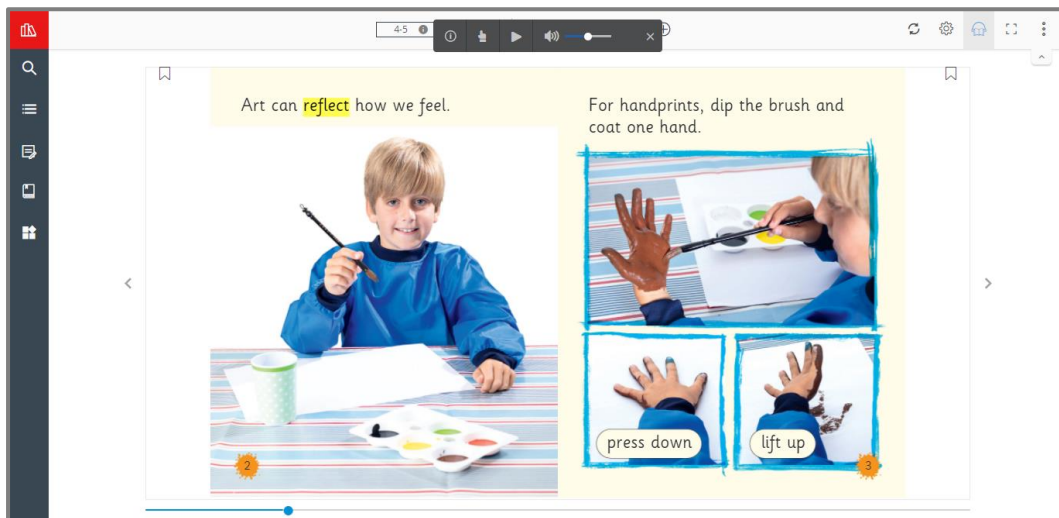
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## Audio

Where audio is available, the audio icon will appear in the top right corner. Click this to launch the audio toolbar (shown below).

The words will be highlighted as the audio plays. You can pause the audio at any time and adjust the volume. The finger icon in the toolbar allows you to point at any word, and the audio will begin playing from there. To



dismiss the audio toolbar, simply click the cross icon.

## Apps

The Collins eBooks app is available for iOS from the App Store. The app is free to download, and you can log in using the same details.

We are in the process of developing an app for Android, which will support users of Big Cat.

When using the app, you can download books to your device, after which you can then access them without needing to be connected to the internet.