

The Bookworms Big Read

The more you read, the better your English becomes. There are about 2.6 million words in the **Oxford Bookworms Library**. How many can you read?

First, set yourself a reading target. Use these average word count totals to help. For example, if you think you can read 30 books in one year and you read at Bookworms Stage 3, your target will be 300,000 words (30 x 10,000).

Bookworms Starter	1,500 words	Bookworms Stage 4	16,000 words
Bookworms Stage 1	5,200 words	Bookworms Stage 5	23,000 words
Bookworms Stage 2	6,500 words	Bookworms Stage 6	30,000 words
Bookworms Stage 3	10,000 words		

Use the Bookworms Big Read Word Counter at www.oup.com/bookworms to calculate the words you have read each month. Record your totals on the chart below.

You can also record the time you spend reading and see how your reading rate improves. Reading fluently will help you understand the story and enjoy reading more. Aim to increase your reading rate to 200 words per minute. * When your reading becomes very fluent, you can try reading at a higher Bookworms Stage.

* Recommended by J. Harper Makaafi in Bamford & Day. 2004. *Extensive Reading Activities for Teaching Language* p189. Cambridge: CUP.

My **Bookworms Big Read** target is _____ words

Month	Bookworms Stage	Total words read	Time spent reading (minutes)	Reading rate (words per minute)
January				
February				
March				
April				
May				
June				
July				
August				
September				
October				
November				
December				
	TOTAL:			