

SPEAKING: Every year, countries all over the world celebrate World Book Day on April 23rd. Talk to a partner about these questions, and then share any interesting information with the class.

Have you ever celebrated World Book Day? How did you celebrate?

Do you enjoy reading? Why/why not?

What is your favorite book? Why?

How do you usually choose a book to read?



Open Cloze: Reading and Use of English Part 2. Complete the text with **ONE** suitable word in each gap:

Every year, people around the world celebrate **World Book Day** on April 23rd, an event (1)_____ encourages reading and promotes access to books. The aim is to inspire people (2)_____ read more and to appreciate the value of literature.

In many countries, schools and libraries organize activities such (3)_____ book fairs, storytelling sessions, and author visits. Some governments even give (4)_____ free books to children to encourage reading from a young age.

Thanks to modern technology, books are now (5)_____ accessible than ever. Many people enjoy reading e-books on their tablets (6)_____ listening to audiobooks on their phones, (7)_____ some still prefer the feeling of holding a physical book in their hands.

No matter (8)_____ you choose to read, World Book Day is a great opportunity to discover new stories, learn from different perspectives, and develop a lifelong love for reading.

Speaking Part 1 Practice (15 min)



Be Brief but Natural

- **Don't over-explain.** Respond concisely and clearly but don't give a **monologue**. Keep answers to around **30-40 seconds**.
- Use **natural expressions** and **fillers** to sound more conversational:
 - "Well, I guess..."
 - "Actually, I've never really thought about that, but..."

Give Full Answers

- Avoid answering with **just 'yes' or 'no'**. Always try to expand your answer:
 - "Yes, I enjoy reading. I think it helps me relax, especially after a long day of work."

Add a Personal Touch

- Personal experiences help you sound more **authentic**. Try to connect each question to something **you really do or have done**:
 - "I usually read books in the evening. Last week, I finished a mystery novel that was really exciting!"

Be Honest but Creative

- If you don't have a strong opinion, try to **speculate** or give a thoughtful answer based on your general feelings:
 - "I don't usually read e-books, but I think they can be convenient when traveling."
 - "I think books are great, but sometimes I don't have time to read as much as I would like."

Use a Range of Vocabulary

- **Variety is key!** Try to use a mixture of **simple** and **advanced** vocabulary. You can make simple topics sound more interesting by using varied vocabulary:
 - "I enjoy reading novels because they allow me to escape into different worlds."
 - "I'd rather listen to audiobooks when I'm commuting or cleaning the house."

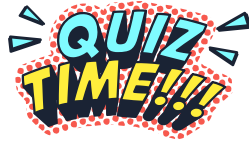
Focus on Fluency, Not Perfection

- In **Part 1**, the examiner is looking for fluency, not perfect grammar. So try to speak **naturally** and **confidently**, even if you make small mistakes. If you're unsure about something, try to keep the conversation going:
 - "Hmm, that's a tough question, but I'd say I prefer fantasy books because they are more imaginative."



Now you try it!

- Do you ever read books in English? Why/why not?
- How important is reading in your daily life?
- Do you prefer fiction or non-fiction books? Why?
- Would you rather read a book or watch a film adaptation?
- Do you prefer physical books, e-books, or audiobooks? Why?
- What's the last book you read, and would you recommend it?



How much do you know about Book Day?

1 True or False? 🤔

- a. In Spain, people give **chocolate and books** to celebrate World Book Day.
- b. World Book Day was created by **UNESCO** in 1995.
- c. **William Shakespeare** and **Miguel de Cervantes** both died on April 23, 1616.
- d. The UK and Ireland celebrate World Book Day in **March** instead of April.
- e. In Finland, they celebrate **Jólabókafloð** (Christmas Book Flood)

2 Guess the Number! $\frac{12}{34}$

- a. On Sant Jordi's Day in Catalonia, about _____ **million roses** and _____ **thousand books** are sold.
- b. In 2011, World Book Day set a **Guinness World Record** for the most people reading aloud at the same time. How many people joined?
- c. In the UK, children receive a **book token** worth £_____ to buy a book.
- d. Over _____ **countries** celebrate World Book Day
- e. The average adult in Spain spends _____ **minutes** reading every day.


3 Would you rather? 🗨️


- a. **Would you rather** spend a day solving mysteries with **Sherlock Holmes** 🕵️ or going on a magical adventure with **Harry Potter**? ⚡📖
- b. **Would you rather** live in a futuristic dystopian world like in *The Hunger Games* 🔫🔥 or in a medieval fantasy world like *The Lord of the Rings*? 🏰🗡️
- c. **Would you rather** write **the best novel** ever written 📖🌟 or be able to **meet your favorite author** in person? 🖋️😊
- d. **Would you rather** be a **sidekick** in an epic fantasy adventure 🏹🧝 or the **villain** in a classic novel? 🐈📖
- e. **Would you rather** only be able to read **one book per year**, but remember every detail perfectly 🧠, or read **100 books per year**, but forget most of them afterward? 📖👉


Speaking Part 2


Look at the pictures below. How do you think these people are feeling about reading? Use adjectives from the box to help you.


 **Pumped** → "Everyone in the group looks so **pumped** to talk about their books! You can tell they're really into it."

 **Mind-blowing** → "Judging by their reactions, someone probably just said something **mind-blowing** about the book!"


 **Chatty** → "This book club seems super **chatty**—everyone's got something to say, and the conversation is flowing!"

 **Vibing** → "They are totally **vibing** with each other. It's like they all love discussing books and sharing ideas."


 **Hooked** → "You can tell they're **hooked** on whatever they're talking about—everyone's leaning in and engaged."

 **Expressive** → "Their faces are so **expressive**! Some are smiling, others look deep in thought—lots of emotions in this chat."

 **Chilled-out** → "She looks completely **chilled-out**, just sinking into her book with no distractions."

 **Lost in thought** → "She seems **lost in thought**, like the book has taken her somewhere far away."

 **Laid-back** → "The whole scene feels so **laid-back**—soft lighting, comfy chair, and a good book."

 **In the zone** → "She's completely **in the zone**, like nothing else exists except the story she's reading."



Try to compare the images by filling in this script with your own ideas:

In both pictures, I can see _____. However, there are some **key differences**. In the first picture, the book club members look _____, while in the second picture there's a woman _____. In the first picture, _____. Some people are _____, and others look like _____, while in the second picture, the atmosphere is completely different. Instead of _____, she seems _____. Her expression shows _____. Everything about the setting _____. You can tell _____. **Both images show** _____, but in completely different ways—one through _____, and the other through _____.

Now you try it! Speaking Part 2- Comparing Two Pictures

Look at the two pictures. They show people reading. Compare the pictures and then talk about why you think these people are reading

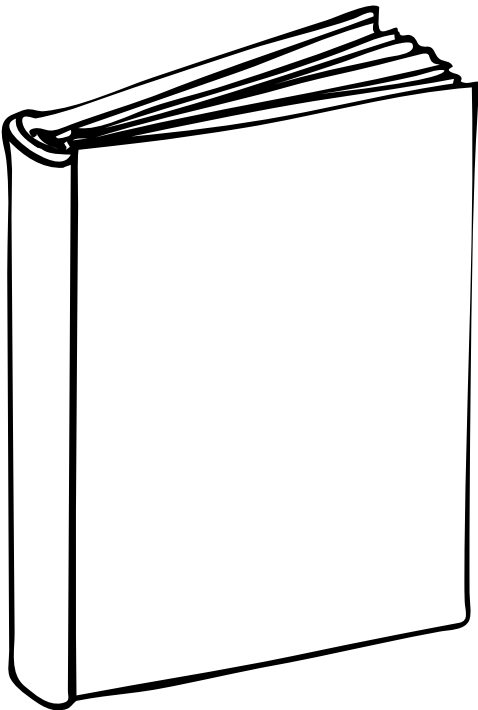
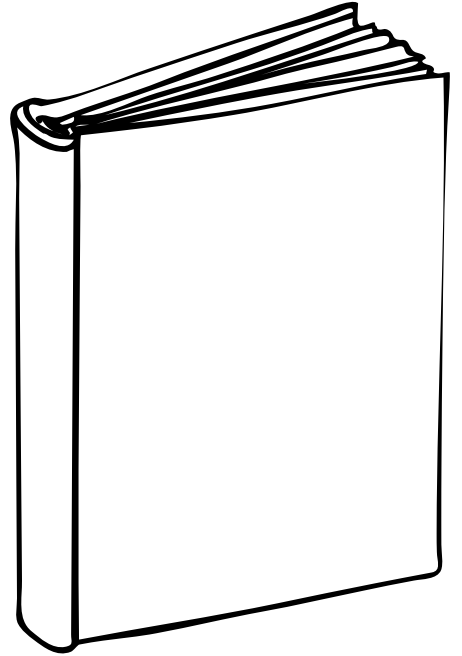
1. Compare and contrast these two images. How are they similar? How are they different? Consider aspects such as the setting, the purpose of reading, and the emotions they might be feeling.
2. Answer the question: Why do you think the child is reading? Why is the man reading?
3. **Partner Talk:** Which book would you prefer to read? Why?




Creative Challenge! 🎨✍️

📖 Rewrite a famous book title by changing one word to make it funny or interesting.

(Example: "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Bananas" 🍌🧙)



 **If books had social media accounts, what would be their first post?** (Example: "Just landed in the bookstore! Hope someone picks me up soon! #NewRelease")

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ANSWER KEY

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1. that / which
2. to
3. as
4. away/out
5. more
6. or
7. although
8. how

EXAMPLE SPEAKING SCRIPT:

In both pictures, I can see people who are enjoying books.

However, there are some **key differences**. In the first picture, the book club members look absolutely **pumped** to talk about their books, while in the second picture there's a woman enjoying a quiet, solitary reading moment.

In the first picture, they're really **vibing** with each other—everyone seems super **chatty**, and the conversation is flowing naturally. Some people are leaning in, totally **hooked** on what's being said, and others look like they just heard something **mind-blowing** about the book, while in the second picture, the atmosphere is completely different. Instead of a lively group discussion, she seems completely **chilled-out**, sinking into their book with no distractions. Her expression shows that she is **lost in thought**, as if the story has transported her somewhere else. Everything about the setting feels **laid-back**—a cozy spot, soft lighting, and a relaxed posture. You can tell she's totally **in the zone**, absorbed in the book's world and disconnected from everything else.

Both images show the power of books, but in completely different ways—one through social connection and discussion, and the other through personal escape and reflection.

● QUIZ TIME

● True or False? 🤔

- a. False - They give roses and books! 🌹📖
- b. True! ✅
- c. True! ✅
- d. True! ✅
- e. False - They celebrate Jólábókaflóð in Iceland

● 2 Guess the Number! 🎲

- a. 4 million roses & 500,000 books! 🌹📖
- b. Over 75,000! 🗨️
- c. 1 (Many books are also specially priced at £1/€1.50 for the day)
- d. 100
- e. 6 minutes

CREATIVE CHALLENGE

Funny book title rewrites:

- *The Lord of the Onion Rings* 🧅🍷
- *Charlie and the Chocolate Broccoli* 🍫🥬
- *The Very Hungry Teacher* 🍎📖

📷 If books had social media accounts, their first post could be:

- "Just landed on the bookshelf! Who wants to read me first? #NewRelease"
- "Finally out of the library! Time for a new adventure! #Borrowed"
- "Why do people keep falling asleep while reading me? I'm interesting, I swear! #Rude"