



## Catch Up<sup>®</sup> Literacy Supporting Reading Online Training for Foster and Kinship Carers

Catch Up<sup>®</sup> Literacy is a one-to-one, needs-led process to support reading development. Each reading session is structured and enables the carer to fully support the young person to access appropriate texts and develop their reading skills.

We have developed a bespoke version of our standard Catch Up<sup>®</sup> Literacy training to enable carers to support how a young person tackles a text, builds their ability to recognise and de-code words and develop their understanding of what they have read or has been read to them.

We promote a process of 'working together' which includes modelling by the adult and discussion of the text.

The process can be applied to any texts seen as appropriate (which is also explored during the training).



Catch Up<sup>®</sup> is a not-for-profit charity working to address literacy and numeracy difficulties that contribute to underachievement. Our interventions have been proven to significantly improve the achievement of learners who find literacy or numeracy difficult.

Much of our work is within school settings, but following a successful research project with What Works for Children's Social Care, we developed this bespoke online training specifically for supporting adults in the looked after children sector. This training has been run with Norfolk Virtual School, from which we have received very positive feedback on the impact for both the carers and the young people.

[www.catchup.org](http://www.catchup.org)

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Online Training Outline:

1. Welcome, introduction and outline of the organisation
2. Struggling readers:
  - What do the children think?
  - Characteristics of struggling readers
3. What do we do when we read? – Activity to explore word recognition and language comprehension
4. Introducing Catch Up Literacy – Who is it for?
5. The Catch Up Literacy Intervention:
  - Stage 1 – The Assessments for learning
  - Stage 2 – Selecting an appropriate book for the learner to read
  - Stage 3 – The individual session  
(Prepared reading / The learner reads and the text is discussed)
6. Concluding the training

Online course length: 3 hours, to include two comfort breaks

There will be practical activities throughout the training, examples including video clips and opportunities to engage with the trainer and ask questions via chat windows.

A training pack of key documents will be provided to each trainee.

\*Catch Up were gifted a limited number of book collections to share with carers we work with. A box of books will be sent free to each carer who is booked onto the training, whilst stocks last.

**Cost - £207 per carer trained**

This includes all proformas, guidance, ongoing support and a book collection\* (whilst stocks last).

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