



Getting Boys Reading and Writing

Being healthy

Staying Safe

Enjoying and
achievingMaking a positive
contributionEconomic
wellbeing

Primary

Alan Gibbons is an impassioned advocate of using books to stimulate children's imagination and creative writing. By encouraging reading for pleasure we expose children to the variety of expression and language that they then use verbally and in their writing.

Alan Gibbons is a full-time writer and independent educational consultant. He has been a teacher for 16 years, working with KS1, 2 & 3, has won the Blue Peter Book Award and has been twice short-listed for the Carnegie Medal. He is author of *The Edge*, *Caught in Crossfire*, *Scared to Death* and his most recent book, *The Demon Assassin*, which is due to be published on 1st July 2008.

In this course Alan Gibbons will examine what kind of environment is needed to encourage boys to read and write. He will illustrate examples of good practice and strategies to get boys both reading and writing and explore the link between the two disciplines. He will look at the visual, oral and kinaesthetic cues that can turn even boys into more confident writers.

"I believe books are more potent in genuinely raising literacy standards" Alan Gibbons.

By attending the course participants will have:

- raise the profile of reading
- create the literate classroom
- design fast-paced lessons and boy-friendly strategies
- get boys interested in reading and writing
- have an opportunity to view a sample of books designed to stimulate reading and writing
- view samples of children's writing

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Suitable for: KS 1/2 teachers, English co-ordinators, library co-ordinators and other interested staff

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