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# Amazing Readers

Il progetto Pearson di promozione della lettura in lingua inglese

## **An inclusive Reading Project**

La lettura è uno degli strumenti più potenti ed efficaci per conoscere una lingua e imparare a esprimersi con scioltezza. Pearson incentiva la pratica della lettura non solo attraverso i suoi libri, ma anche promuovendo progetti specifici, come *Amazing Readers*. Lo scopo del progetto, patrocinato dall'**Ambasciata Britannica in Italia**, è quello di spingere i ragazzi a leggere libri in lingua inglese, per il puro piacere di farlo.

### Read for pleasure, read more, read better

Amazing Readers è un progetto inclusivo che coinvolge l'intera classe, indipendentemente dal livello di comprensione della lingua e dai gusti personali di ogni studente: è infatti possibile scegliere tra un'amplissima selezione di titoli, organizzati **in numerose collane** e sviluppati su **più livelli di difficoltà**. Testi che possono legarsi al CLIL, aiutare a migliorare la fluidità della lettura e il vocabolario in vista del test INVALSI di inglese e di eventuali certificazioni internazionali, come il Pearson Test of English (PTE). Oppure, semplicemente, dare ai ragazzi la soddisfazione di leggere e ascoltare in inglese moltissime storie sui personaggi che più amano.

### Bringing learning to life

L'insegnante può aiutare gli studenti a scegliere il testo che preferiscono, guidandoli verso il livello più adatto e incoraggiandoli a spaziare tra stili e generi diversi. Durante l'anno scolastico gli studenti possono organizzare momenti di confronto e discussione dei testi, come il **Discovery Day delle letture**. Possono creare un video oppure un'infografica, un lapbook o un poster sul loro testo, personaggio o film preferito, lavorando sia sulle competenze linguistiche di base sia, soprattutto, sulle competenze trasversali, coltivando **creatività e fantasia**.

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**Pearson English Readers** 

The largest selection of graded books available in Italy

### Inspiring stories, incredible choice, improved learning

Un catalogo aggiornato e ancora più ampio, che mantiene chiara e intatta la sua identità: il grande assortimento e la qualità dei titoli proposti, adatti a incentivare la lettura, a nutrire la fantasia, e incoraggiare all'apprendimento gli studenti di ogni età.

### The perfect book for everyone

Dalle opere più recenti ai classici rivisitati, dai film di maggiore successo ai romanzi gialli densi di suspense, il catalogo 2019 presenta una selezione di **oltre 230 titoli**. Scritti con cura, suddivisi in numerose collane e in più livelli, a seconda del numero di parole contenute nel testo e della difficoltà del racconto, i *Pearson English Readers* portano la gioia della lettura e l'opportunità di apprendimento a portata di mano di ogni studente.

### **Supporting teachers**

Per supportare i docenti all'uso dei Readers in classe, ogni titolo è corredato da un ampio repertorio di materiale extra: l'audio del testo, *Teacher's Notes, Activity Worksheets, Progress Tests, Answer Keys, Achievement Certificates*. Tutto per rendere ogni attività ancora più coinvolgente. Il materiale è disponibile all'indirizzo **readers.english.com** 

### **Pearson English Readers**

Un incredibile assortimento di titoli caratterizza la collana, che può essere considerata senza dubbio tra le più complete presenti nel panorama delle letture graduate. Oltre ai classici bestseller, è possibile trovare racconti meno famosi di autori popolari, riadattamenti letterari di film, storie che affrontano tematiche storiche e d'attualità, ma anche racconti inventati, scritti in un linguaggio chiaro, accessibile e avvincente. Libri perfetti sia per l'utilizzo in classe, sia soprattutto per una lettura di piacere, di tipo estensivo, anche fuori da scuola, per lettori di ogni età.

#### **New for 2019**

Da non perdere **Doctor Who** la nuova collana tratta dalla serie ty omonima.



### **Happy reading!**

Per saperne di più e scoprire tutti i titoli disponibili, scansiona il QR code e visita la pagina **pearson.it/readers** 

## **Pearson English Active Readers**

Grazie ad ancora più esercizi, schede di approfondimento e idee per sviluppare progetti originali, gli *Active Readers* sono libri studiati per un'immersione totale nel mondo della lettura e dell'apprendimento. La collana, che conta moltissimi titoli, permette di consolidare le proprie conoscenze e di sviluppare nuove competenze linguistiche. L'audio integrale dei libri favorisce l'abilità di ascolto e l'apprendimento della corretta pronuncia inglese.

#### Pearson English Password Readers

Grazie a questa collana, tutti i giovani lettori avranno le chiavi di accesso a storie senza tempo, da assaporare e vivere in lingua inglese. Ogni libro si inserisce nel livello di difficoltà di pertinenza ed è composto da brevi capitoli di poche pagine, in cui la narrazione si alterna a immagini vivaci e a numerose attività utili a rafforzare il vocabolario e la capacità di lettura. Per una maggiore comprensione del testo e per l'ascolto della corretta pronuncia è disponibile per ogni libro l'audio integrale, scaricabile attraverso l'applicazione MYAPP Pearson.



# Making reading accessible to all

I nostri Readers sono attentamente strutturati per livello, a seconda del numero di parole che compongono il vocabolario dei racconti e della difficoltà del linguaggio utilizzato. I livelli sono riconosciuti secondo standard internazionali, come il Quadro Comune Europeo di riferimento per la conoscenza delle Lingue (CEFR) e la Pearson Global Scale of English (GSE). Sono inoltre allineati ai livelli delle più importanti certificazioni linguistiche, come il Pearson Test of English (PTE) e le certificazioni Cambridge.

### Correlation chart

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S	Easy Star
Active Readers	Level 1
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	Level 3
	Level 4
	Level 5

	Level	Headwords	CEFR	GSE	PTE	Cambridge
,	Easy Start	200	A1/A2	23-33	Firstwords	Starters/Movers
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	Level 2	600	A2/A2+	32-42	Quickmarch	Flyers/Key for Schools
ı	Level 3	1200	A2+/B1	37-50	Breakthrough	Preliminary for Schools
	Level 4	1700	B1/B2	46-60	Level 2	Preliminary
	Level 5	2300	B1+/B2+	54-72	Level 3	First
	Level 6	3000	B2/C1	64-83	Level 4	Advanced

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### **Pearson English Readers**

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- Una collana perfetta sia per incentivare la lettura individuale sia per favorire il lavoro collaborativo in classe
- ▶ Titoli attentamente selezionati, curati da madrelingua inglesi e graduati per difficoltà, per coltivare in tutti gli studenti il piacere della lettura e dell'apprendimento
- ► L'audio integrale dei libri e numerose pagine di esercizi completano l'offerta, per una comprensione del testo a 360°

#### **LEVEL EASY START**



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## The Fireboy Stephen Rabley

Hapu lives in Ancient Egypt. Hapu's father is ill, but they haven't got any money for a doctor. Hapu makes a beautiful necklace for Queen Cleopatra and takes it to her. But a guard says: 'go home.' How can Hapu meet the Queen and get a doctor for his father?



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John Escott

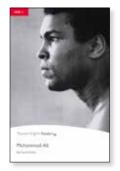
Ben has a job in Mr Tyson's store. Then Mr Tyson finds money in Ben's bag. Get out of my store! Mr Tyson says. But is Ben the thief? There is an earthquake in the city, and Mr Tyson gets his answer.

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Tom Sawyer loves adventures. He has them at home, at school, and with his friends Huck Finn, Joe Harper, and Becky Thatcher. Tom has one adventure in a graveyard, one in an old house, one in a cave. Who does he see in those places and why is he afraid?

### Muhammad Ali

Bernard Smith

In 1974 two Black Americans fought in Zaire, in Africa. One was Muhammad Ali. After the fight, he was the boxing champion of the world again. But why did a young boy from Kentucky start to box? Why did he stop boxing? And what is he doing now?



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### Rip Van Winkle and The Legend of Sleepy Hollow

Washington Irving

Rip Van Winkle walks into the mountains one day and meets some strange old men. He comes home twenty years later. One dark night, Ichabod Crane is riding home and sees a man on a black horse behind him. The man has no head. Are there ghosts in these stories? What do you think?

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### Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea

Jules Verne

This is the story of Captain Nemo and his submarine, the Nautilus. One day, Nemo finds three men in the sea. For months the men live on the Nautilus. They find a town on the sea floor, beautiful coasts and a lot of gold. But they want to go home. Can they escape from Nemo's submarine?

#### William Tell

Friedrich von Schiller

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#### American Life Vicky Shipton

Most people around the world today know something about American life. The United States is a big country. Not all Americans are the same! In this book you will see the many faces of American life.

#### **Barack Obama**

Coleen Degnan-Veness

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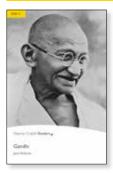
## **Dragonheart**Adriana Gabriel

Young Prince Einon is dying. Only the Great Dragon can help him! But first the boy has to say, 'I won't be a cruel king. I'll love my people and be kind to them'. But Einon is cruel, and everybody in the country is afraid. Now the Dragon, good Sir Bowen and the peasants have to fight in a great battle between Good and Bad.

### Extreme Sports

Michael Dean

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Gulliver travels across the sea from England and has an accident. He arrives in a country of very, very small people. What will they do with him? How will he talk to them? And why are the Big-enders fighting the Little-enders?

## The Importance of Being Earnest

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## King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table

Deborah Tempest

Only the next king can pull the sword out of the stone. Many people try, but they cannot move the sword. Then young Arthur tries, and it comes out easily. Now he will be king. But will he be a good king? And will his life be happy?

#### The Last of the Mohicans

James Fenimore Cooper

Uncas is the last of the Mohican Indians. He is with his father and Hawkeye when they meet Heyward. Heyward is taking the two young daughters of a British colonel to their father. But a Huron Indian who hates the British is near. Will the girls see their father again?



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#### Lost in New York Iohn Escott

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## The Prince and the Pauper Mark Twain

Two babies are born on the same day in England. One boy is a prince and the other boy is from a very poor family. Ten years later, they change places for a game. But then the old king dies and they cannot change back. Will the poor boy be the new King of England?

#### Robin Hood Liz Austin

The story of Robin Hood is very famous. Robin Hood robbed rich people and gave the money to the poor people. He loved adventure, and he was the best fighter in England. The greedy Sheriff of Nottingham hated Robin, and the beautiful Lady Marian loved him. His most famous adventures are in this book.



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## The Scarlet Letter Nathaniel Hawthorne

Boston in the 1600s is a small town, but a large crowd waits for Hester Prynne outside the prison. She carries a baby in her arms and the scarlet letter A is on her dress. A is for adulteress. Who is the father of her baby? Nobody knows and Hester will not say.

## Stranger than Fiction: Urban Myths

Phil Healey / Rick Glanvill

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Alexandre Dumas

D'Artagnan wants to be a musketeer. He wants to fight for his king and his country. But the Queen has a problem with the Cardinal, so d'Artagnan and his new friends have to help her. The Cardinal is a very dangerous man. Who will win? Who will lose? And who will die?

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Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

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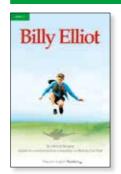
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Braveheart Randall Wallace

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## The Canterbury Tales

Geoffrey Chaucer

A group of pilgrims travel together for five days from London to Canterbury. On the way, each pilgrim has to tell a story to keep the others amused. Some stories are happy, some are sad. They all have a message. We can learn from them.

### The Count of Monte Cristo

Alexander Dumas

Edmond Dantès is a clever young seaman. He has enemies who tell lies about him. On the day of his wedding to the beautiful Mercédès, Edmond is thrown into prison. There he meets a man who tells him about treasure on the island of Monte Cristo. Will Edmond escape from prison and find the treasure? And will he see Mercédès again?



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Dangerous Game
William Harris

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## David Copperfield

Charles Dickens

David Copperfield's happy life suddenly changes when his mother marries again. Her new husband is cruel to him and sends him away to school. When David's mother dies, he is sent to work in London. He hates his job so he runs away. He has no money for food or for travelling. But it is the beginning of his life of adventure

## **Dracula**Bram Stoker

Count Dracula is a vampire. He drinks people's blood. He lives in a lonely castle in the mountains of Transylvania. But then he comes to England and strange things start happening. People change. People become ill. Professor Van Helsing knows about vampires, but can he stop Count Dracula?



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## The Fall of the House of Usher and Other Stories

Edgar Allan Poe

There are five stories in this book. The Fall of the House of Usher and The Barrel of Amontillado are stories of madness. The Maelstrom describes fear of death during a storm on the ocean. In the Murders of the Rue Morgue and The Stolen Letter we meet C. Auguste Dupin, Poe's famous Parisian detective.

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#### Hamlet

William Shakespeare

Hamlet is the Prince of Denmark. His heart is filled with sadness and pain. Why? Only his two best friends, Horatio and Marcellus, know the true reason. The new king, Claudius, murdered Hamlet's father and married the young prince's mother. Will Hamlet be strong and brave enough to take revenge? Is he mad? Or does he have a secret plan?

#### A History of Britain

Fiona Beddall

Britain is a small country with a long history. Two thousand years ago it was part of the Roman Empire. In the 1930s the British Empire was the biggest in world history. Kings and queens fought to rule Britain. Discover how wars, revolutions and religion changed its history. Read about the different countries of the United Kingdom and the great men and women who shaped the British nation.



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## The Hunchback of Notre-Dame Victor Hugo

Ugly and unwanted by the outside world, Quasimodo the hunchback lives under the protection of the priest in the Cathedral of Notre-Dame. Then his quiet life is destroyed by the priest's evil plans for a beautiful gypsy girl. The priest needs Quasimodo's help. But the hunchback has other ideas.

## King Lear

William Shakespeare

King Lear is old but not wise. He loves the two daughters who secretly hate him. He hates the only daughter who really loves him. In time, he discovers his mistake. Has he learnt his lesson? Or will his proud and angry nature bring him even more sadness and pain?



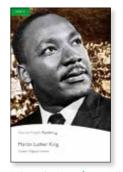
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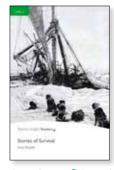
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A young woman comes to a big house to teach two young children. It's her first job and she wants to do it well. But she begins to see strange things, the ghosts of dead people. Do the ghosts want the children?

#### Vanity Fair William Thackery

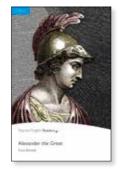
Becky Sharp, an intelligent young lady with no family or money, becomes a governess. But this type of life is not enough for her. She has big plans for herself. Is she clever enough to find success? Will she marry and be happy? Or will life be unkind to her?



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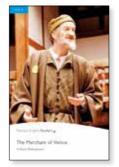
In 1673, young John Ridd meets a little girl called Lorna Doone. Seven years later they meet again and fall in love. Unfortunately the Doones are a family of robbers and murderers. One of them, Carver, killed John's father and now wants to marry Lorna. Can John save Lorna from her worst fears?



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#### The Merchant of Venice

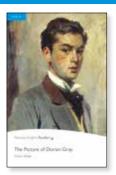
William Shakespeare

Bassanio wants to get married. He has no money and debts. He asks his friend Antonio for a loan, but Antonio is waiting for his ships to return. Until then, he has nothing to lend. To help Bassanio, he borrows money from a moneylender. If Antonio cannot repay the loan in three months, the moneylender will cut a pound of flesh from his body. Will Antonio be able to repay the loan? Or will he die?

# The Mirror Crack'd from Side to Side

Agatha Christie

When Miss Marple complains of feeling old and helpless, her doctor jokingly suggests that she needs a murder to solve. Then there is a death in the village. Is it murder? Did the right person die? Suddenly, Jane Marple has a new interest in life. And then there are more deaths...



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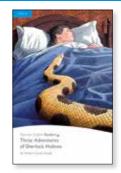
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Sherlock Holmes is a great detective. There are few cases that he cannot solve. In these three stories we meet a young woman who is terrified of a mysterious 'speckled band', a family who think that five orange pips are a sign of death, and a banker who believes that his son is a thief. But are things really as they seem?



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Phileas Fogg is living quietly in London. Then he makes a bet that he can travel around the world in eighty days. The result is a crazy, exciting race against time across Europe, Asia and America. There are many dangers along the way, and a detective who wants to arrest him!

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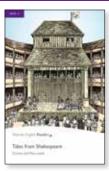
Robert Louis Stevenson

Dr Jekyll is a London doctor who is liked and respected for his work. Mr Hyde is an evil man, completely unknown in London society. There is a murder and Hyde seems to be responsible. So why does the good doctor give Mr Hyde the key to his house and decide to leave everything to Mr Hyde in his will?

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#### Robert Ludlum

Two men, mysteriously summoned by telegram, witness a killing. The telegrams are signed 'Jason Bourne'. The telegrams are a message from Bourne's enemy, The Jackal. Bourne's plan is simple. Use himself as bait to lure The Jackal into a trap. Only one will escape.

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Louis De Bernieres

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#### Crime and Punishment

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Raskolnikoff, a young student, is forced to give up university studies because of lack of money. He withdraws from society and develops a plan to murder a greedy old moneylender. Surely the murder of one worthless old woman would be excused if it made possible a thousand good deeds? But this crime is just the beginning of the story...

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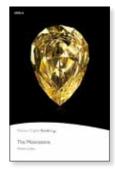
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The King of Torts
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Clay Carter has worked in the Office of the Public Defender for years for low pay when he defends another murderer. But things are not what they seem. This is his opportunity to make money and a reputation, as he battles with large pharmaceutical companies. Will he become the King of Torts?

#### Misery Stephen King

Paul Sheldon is Annie Wilkes's favorite writer. She loves all his books about Misery Chastain. When Annie finds Paul after a car accident, she takes him home to look after him. Then Annie discovers that Paul wants to kill Misery and write a different kind of book. She is determined to stop him, and Paul becomes her prisoner.

### The Moonstone Wilkie Collins

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Jane Austen

Visiting the fashionable city of Bath, 17-year-old Catherine Morland looks for the excitement she finds in romantic fiction. She makes friends and falls in love. But when she is invited to Northanger Abbey, she experiences desperate unhappiness. What is real, and what is the product of her wild imagination?

#### Oliver Twist

Charles Dickens

His mother is dead, so little Oliver Twist is brought up in the workhouse. Beaten and starved, he runs away to London, where he joins Fagin's gang of thieves. By chance he also finds good new friends, but can they protect him from people who rob and murder without mercy?

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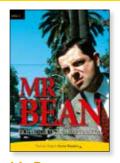
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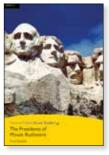
A famous painting is going to the Grierson Gallery in L.A. and they want a top man to come to the United States. He can talk about the artist. The National Gallery in London send Mr Bean. But something is very wrong with Mr Bean! He's very, very strange. And dangerous! After he arrives, accidents start to happen.



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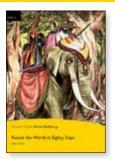
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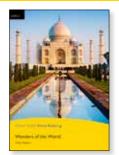
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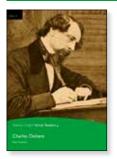
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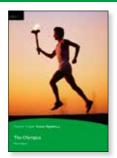
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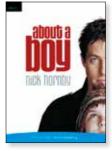
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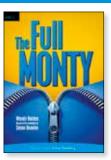
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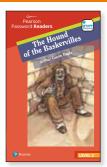
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Northern Ireland, 2000. Fiona is the 16-yearold captain of the ARG, a female rugby team taking part in a peace project. The project aims at uniting Protestant and Catholic students in sport. However, old and new conflicts emerge when Colin, an English boy, falls in love with Fiona. Will sport and friendship be able to overcome religious and political divisions?

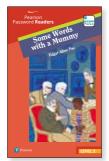
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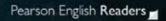
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