

# The Invisible Library

A Fleydo English School Story

A2 Level | Kids (6-10) | Reading | Story | 14 Pages

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*Nora loves reading more than anything. When she follows a mysterious grey cat through a hidden door, she discovers the Invisible Library — a magical place where book characters are alive. But the characters are fading because children have stopped reading. Nora must find a way to save them before they disappear forever.*

## Learning Objectives

- Read and understand a longer A2-level adventure story (14 pages)
- Learn 15 new vocabulary words in context
- Practise vocabulary with matching and fill-in-the-blank exercises
- Test reading comprehension with 10 multiple-choice questions
- Discuss themes: reading, imagination, and the power of stories

## 1 Read the Story

### Chapter 1: The Girl Who Read Too Much

Nora was different from the other children in her class. While they played football or watched videos on their tablets, Nora read books. She read at breakfast, at lunch, and at dinner. She read on the bus, in the bath, and under her blanket with a torch at night.

Her bedroom was full of books. They were on the shelves, on the floor, on the desk, and even under her pillow. Her mother said, "Nora, you read too much!" But Nora just smiled and turned another page.

She loved all kinds of stories: adventures, fairy tales, mysteries, and funny stories about talking animals. When she read, she felt like she was inside the story. Books were her best friends.

One grey Wednesday afternoon, Nora was walking home from school. She was reading a book while walking — something her mother told her never to do — when she noticed a cat sitting on the pavement. It was a large grey cat with bright golden eyes.

The cat looked at Nora. Nora looked at the cat. Then the cat stood up, meowed once, and started walking down a narrow lane that Nora had never noticed before.

"Wait!" Nora called. She followed the cat down the lane. It was dark and quiet. Old brick walls rose up on both sides. The cat walked faster and faster.

At the end of the lane, there was a door. It was old and wooden, painted dark blue, with a brass handle shaped like an open book. The cat pushed the door with its paw, and it swung open.

The cat looked back at Nora, as if to say, "Are you coming?"

Nora took a deep breath and stepped inside.

### Chapter 2: A World of Books

Nora could not believe her eyes. She was standing inside the biggest library she had ever seen. But this was not a normal library.

The room was enormous — as big as a football stadium. Bookshelves reached from the floor to the ceiling, hundreds of metres high. Golden ladders leaned against the shelves, and some of them were moving by themselves. Floating lanterns hung in the air, giving everything a warm orange glow.

And the books! There were millions of them. Big books, small books, thick books, thin books. Books with leather covers, books with golden letters, books that seemed to breathe and whisper.

"Welcome to the Invisible Library," said a voice. Standing behind her was an old woman with silver hair, half-moon glasses, and a long purple dress covered in tiny golden stars.

“My name is Ms. Page,” the woman said with a warm smile. “And I have been waiting for you for a very long time.”

### Chapter 3: The Living Characters

“Waiting for me?” Nora asked, confused. “But how did you know I would come?”

Ms. Page smiled. “Because this library can only be found by true readers — people who love books with all their heart. And you, Nora, are the truest reader we have found in twenty years.”

Ms. Page took Nora’s hand and led her through the library. As they walked between the enormous bookshelves, Nora noticed something strange and wonderful. There were people walking around. But they were not ordinary people.

A girl in a blue dress was chasing a white rabbit down a corridor. A boy with round glasses was flying on a broomstick between the shelves. A pirate with a wooden leg was reading a map in the corner. A princess in a golden dress was talking to a friendly dragon near the fireplace.

“Are those... book characters?” Nora whispered.

“Yes,” Ms. Page said proudly. “In this library, every character from every story is alive. When someone reads their story, they become stronger and more real.”

Nora was amazed. She met a detective with a magnifying glass. She met a courageous talking lion who told her about courage. She met a little prince from a tiny planet who asked her strange and beautiful questions.

Every character was real. They could talk, laugh, think, and feel. They lived inside the library, visiting each other’s stories, and waiting for readers to bring them to life.

“This is the most wonderful place I have ever seen!” Nora said.

But then she noticed something worrying. Some of the characters looked pale and transparent, like ghosts. A fairy in the corner was flickering like a weak candle. A knight’s armour was fading from silver to grey.

“Ms. Page, what is happening to them?” Nora asked.

Ms. Page’s smile disappeared. “They are disappearing, Nora. And that is exactly why I needed you to come.”

### Chapter 4: The Fading

“Twenty years ago, this library was full of bright, strong characters,” Ms. Page explained. “Every character was healthy and happy, because millions of children around the world read their stories every day.”

“But then something changed. Children started watching more videos and playing more games on their screens. They stopped reading books. Slowly, one by one, the characters began to fade.”

Ms. Page opened a large golden book on her desk. It showed a number: 3,247.

“That is how many characters we have lost this year. Three thousand, two hundred and forty-seven characters have disappeared completely because nobody reads their stories anymore.”

“Disappeared? You mean... gone forever?” Nora asked.

“When nobody reads a story for a very long time, the characters fade away completely. They become invisible. Then they are gone. And once they are gone, they can never come back.”

Nora felt something she had never felt before. Her chest hurt. Her eyes burned. She looked at the fading fairy and felt angry and sad at the same time.

“We have to do something!” Nora said firmly. “We cannot let them disappear!”

## Chapter 5: The Plan

Ms. Page looked at Nora with hope in her eyes. “There is one way to save them. If enough people start reading again, the characters will become strong once more. But we need help from the outside world.”

“I can do that!” Nora said. “I can tell people about reading! I can show them how wonderful books are!”

Ms. Page shook her head sadly. “We have tried before. We sent other readers back, but they could not convince people to stop watching their screens.”

Nora thought hard. She needed a creative solution.

“Ms. Page, what if the characters themselves went into the real world? What if children could MEET the characters from their favourite books? If they saw a real pirate, or a real princess, or a real talking lion — they would want to read the stories!”

Ms. Page’s eyes grew wide. “The characters leave the library? That has never been done before.”

“But is it possible?” Nora asked.

Ms. Page smiled. “With enough courage and imagination, anything is possible.”

## Chapter 6: Characters in the Real World

The next Saturday, Nora stood outside her school with a table full of books and a big sign: MEET YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK CHARACTERS TODAY!

Behind the table were three characters from the Invisible Library: Captain Redbeard the pirate, Princess Luna, and Barnaby the talking bear.

At first, nobody came. Then a small boy stopped. He looked at Captain Redbeard and his mouth fell open.

“Is that a REAL pirate?” he whispered.

“Aye, lad!” Captain Redbeard boomed. “I am Captain Redbeard, and I have sailed the seven seas! Would you like to hear about the time I found treasure on Skull Island?”

Within minutes, a crowd of twenty children had gathered around him. Princess Luna read fairy tales. Barnaby the bear told jokes and gave warm hugs.

By the end of the afternoon, every single book on Nora's table had been borrowed. Within a month, the town's library had a waiting list for the first time in ten years.

## Chapter 7: The Library Shines Again

When Nora returned to the Invisible Library a month later, she could not believe the change. The fading fairy was bright and colourful again. The knight's armour was shining silver. Every character looked stronger, happier, and more alive.

The golden book showed a new number: 0 characters lost this month.

"You did it, Nora," Ms. Page said, her eyes full of happy tears. "You saved them."

All the characters gathered around Nora. Captain Redbeard lifted her onto his shoulder. Princess Luna placed a small golden crown on her head. Barnaby gave her the biggest, warmest hug in the world.

"You are now the Guardian of the Invisible Library," Ms. Page announced. "As long as there are readers in the world, this library will shine."

## Chapter 8: The Best Story

That evening, Nora sat in her bedroom, surrounded by her books. The grey cat was sleeping on her pillow. The golden crown sat on her desk, glowing softly.

Her mother came in. "What did you do today, love?"

Nora smiled. "I saved a library."

When the lights went off, Nora lay in bed thinking. Books are not just paper and ink. Books are alive. Every time you open a book, you bring a character to life. You give them a voice, a face, a home inside your imagination.

And that is a kind of magic that no screen, no game, and no video can ever replace.

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# The End

*Every time you open a book, you bring a character to life. You are keeping stories alive. You are making the Invisible Library shine a little brighter.*

*So read. Read at breakfast. Read at lunch. Read before bed. Because the best adventures happen between the pages of a book.*

## 2 Key Vocabulary

These words from the story will help you improve your English.

Word	Type	Definition	Example
<b>library</b>	<i>noun</i>	a place full of books to read or borrow	<i>Nora discovered the Invisible Library.</i>
<b>invisible</b>	<i>adj</i>	cannot be seen by most people	<i>The library was invisible to most people.</i>
<b>character</b>	<i>noun</i>	a person in a book, film, or play	<i>The characters from books were alive!</i>
<b>adventure</b>	<i>noun</i>	an exciting experience	<i>The pirate told stories about his adventures.</i>
<b>disappeared</b>	<i>verb</i>	went away; could not be found	<i>Some characters disappeared completely.</i>
<b>imagination</b>	<i>noun</i>	creating pictures in your mind	<i>Books bring your imagination to life.</i>
<b>ancient</b>	<i>adj</i>	very, very old	<i>The library had ancient books on every shelf.</i>
<b>corridor</b>	<i>noun</i>	a long passage inside a building	<i>They walked through a dark corridor.</i>
<b>flickering</b>	<i>adj</i>	light going on and off	<i>The fairy was flickering like a weak candle.</i>
<b>guardian</b>	<i>noun</i>	a person who protects something	<i>Nora became the Guardian of the Library.</i>
<b>courageous</b>	<i>adj</i>	brave and not afraid of danger	<i>Nora was a courageous girl.</i>
<b>fading</b>	<i>adj</i>	becoming weaker or less visible	<i>The characters were fading away.</i>
<b>protected</b>	<i>verb</i>	kept safe from danger	<i>Nora protected the characters.</i>
<b>solution</b>	<i>noun</i>	the answer to a problem	<i>Nora found a creative solution.</i>
<b>celebration</b>	<i>noun</i>	a party for a happy reason	<i>There was a big celebration in the library.</i>

### 3 Fill in the Blanks

Choose the correct word to complete each sentence.

1. Nora followed a grey cat down a dark \_\_\_\_\_ to find the library.
2. The book characters were \_\_\_\_\_ because nobody was reading their stories.
3. Ms. Page said the library could only be found by true \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Nora used her \_\_\_\_\_ to think of a creative plan.
5. Captain Redbeard told the children about his \_\_\_\_\_ on the seven seas.
6. Nora became the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Invisible Library.
7. The fairy was \_\_\_\_\_ like a weak candle in the corner.
8. All the characters \_\_\_\_\_ when nobody read their stories.
9. Nora was a \_\_\_\_\_ girl who was not afraid to try new things.
10. Nora found a creative \_\_\_\_\_ to save the characters.

#### Answer Key:

1. **corridor**
2. **fading**
3. **readers**
4. **imagination**
5. **adventures**
6. **guardian**
7. **flickering**
8. **disappeared**
9. **courageous**
10. **solution**

## 4 Comprehension Quiz

Choose the correct answer for each question.

### Question 1. What did Nora love more than anything?

- A. Playing football
- B. Watching videos
- C. Reading books
- D. Playing music

### Question 2. What animal led Nora to the library?

- A. A dog
- B. A grey cat
- C. A white rabbit
- D. An owl

### Question 3. Who was Ms. Page?

- A. Nora's teacher
- B. The guardian of the Invisible Library
- C. A book character
- D. Nora's grandmother

### Question 4. What was special about the Invisible Library?

- A. It was very small
- B. Book characters were alive inside it
- C. It had no books
- D. It was underwater

### Question 5. Why were some characters fading?

- A. They were old
- B. They were sick
- C. Nobody was reading their stories
- D. The library was too cold

### Question 6. What was Nora's plan to save the characters?

- A. Build a new library
- B. Bring characters into the real world
- C. Write new books
- D. Make a video

### Question 7. What happened when Captain Redbeard told stories?

- A. Children were bored
- B. Children were fascinated and wanted to read
- C. Children were scared
- D. Nothing happened

### Question 8. What title did Nora receive?

- A. Queen of Books
- B. Head Teacher
- C. Guardian of the Invisible Library
- D. Princess of Stories

**Question 9. What happened after Nora's plan worked?**

- A. Library closed
- B. It got smaller
- C. All characters became strong again
- D. Nothing changed

**Question 10. What is the main lesson of the story?**

- A. Cats are magical
- B. Libraries are boring
- C. Reading brings characters to life
- D. Screens are better

**5 Quiz Answer Key**

Q	Correct Answer
1	C. Reading books
2	B. A grey cat
3	B. The guardian of the Invisible Library
4	B. Book characters were alive inside it
5	C. Nobody was reading their stories
6	B. Bring characters into the real world
7	B. Children were fascinated and wanted to read
8	C. Guardian of the Invisible Library
9	C. All characters became strong again
10	C. Reading brings characters to life