



World Book Day Paper Chains

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Work with your friends to make connections between your favourite books and find your next great read whilst creating a beautiful World Book Day decoration.

ACTIVITY

- Pick a book you have enjoyed and would recommend to a friend. Write it down on the book cover on the template sheet.
- Think about a time when someone recommended a book to you –
 what was it that made that person think you would like that book?
- Share your thoughts they might include theme/genre /personal interest/enjoyed a book by a similar author etc.
- For KS2+ introduce or discuss book tagging on recommendation websites (by author, theme and keywords) to create recommendations.
- Invite the children to write a set of 'tags' for the book that they
 want to recommend maybe modelling this with your choice.

YOU WILL NEED:

- Book tagging template
- Paper Chain
- Pens and or other materials to decorate

- Scissors
- Glue or tape

MAKE THE CHAIN

- 1. First decorate a paperchain strip with your book on it.
- Now for the tricky bit getting all the books in the chain – ask the children to join their books to each other using the tags they thought of.
- For more experienced readers you give the class strips to smaller groups challenging them to include every book.
- 4. Stick the chain together and hang it up.

TOP TIPS:

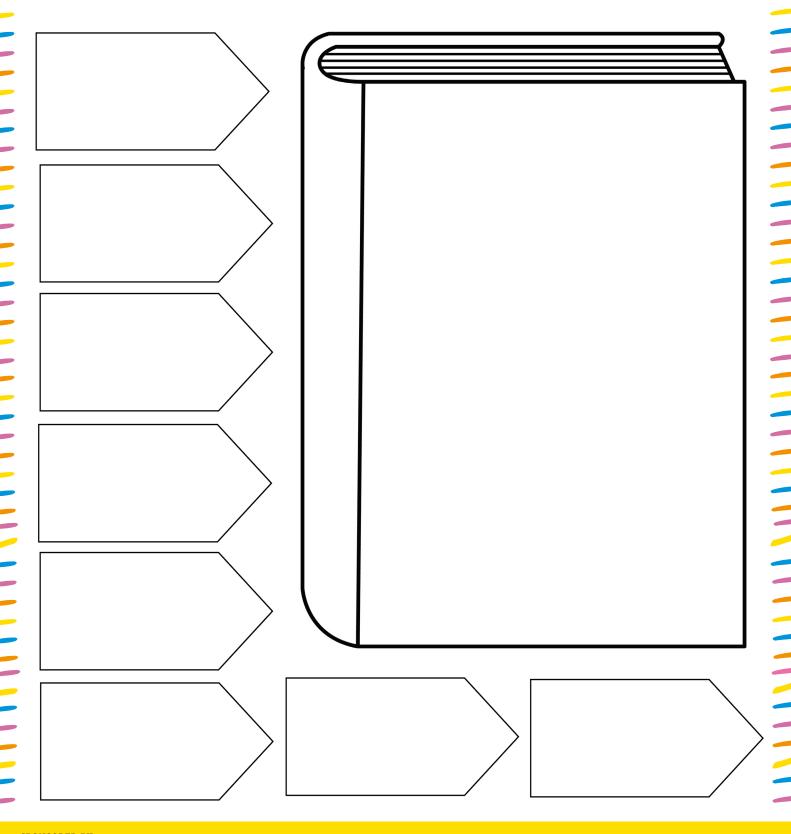
- Keep the strips flat until you're happy with the order.
- If you want to remember the link write it on the back of the strip.
- Paper chains don't just have to be a straight line – see how many loops and crazy directions you can send your chain in.
- Your tagging sheets will make a good recommendations book in your reading area.







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Paper chain worksheet

Decorate the strips below with your book – make it as colourful as possible.

Decide which book you will start with and make that link into a circle by sticking one end to the other.

Thread your next book through the first link and then stick together and continue until you have a chain.

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