

Letterpress Young Reader Interviews

An Interview With Rio (aged 9)

Q1. What are your earliest memories of reading books – do you have a particular book you remember from that time?

I remember one called 'I wish I had a Dinosaur' from when I was young. For one of my birthday presents I got one called 'We are on a Little Digger' which was all about me and my family building a city together – I still have it at my house. I liked lots of books before I could read by myself like Mr Tickle', 'The Smartest Giant in Town', The Very Hungry Caterpillar'.

Q2. What are your favourite kinds of books now?

I am very interested in books with lots of facts in them, especially ones about the Stone Age and the Vikings. I am also keen on comic style books like 'Dog Man' and 'Bunny versus Monkey' because they have lots going on and are fun to read.

Q3. Have you got a favourite author (or two)

It's probably Jamie Smart because his books are very funny and well written – I have lots of them.

Q4. How often do you read? Is there a favourite time when you like reading best?

I make sure that I read every day in class at school and also at home when I have time. I like to read in my bedroom, especially at bedtime. When I went on holiday to Spain, I took plenty of books to read on the plane.

Q5. Are you hoping to build a book collection? How many have you got and what's your prized possession?

I have lots of comic style books which I like to share with my friends. I'd guess that I have about 100 books which I keep in my bookcase in my bedroom. My book about the Little Digger is very special and I hope that I will always keep it.