

Letterpress Young Reader Interviews

An Interview With Benji (aged 12)

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

My earliest memory of reading a book was when my mum read 'Buzzy's Balloon' by Harriet Ziefert to me. I remember sitting next to her as she showed all the pictures in detail.

Q2. What are your favourite kinds of books now?

Now, I like reading adventure books, with daring characters. One of my favourites is the Alex Rider series by Anthony Horowitz. I wait for each book to come out in the bookshops, and love nothing more than curling up on the sofa and reading about another daring mission.

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

My favourite author has to be Anthony Horowitz. He writes with amazing detail; it is like you are watching a movie.

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

I read very often, about 20 minutes a day. I love reading in bed, because when you finally go to sleep you have great dreams.

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

At home I have a lot of books – over 150, maybe even 200. My mum and dad treasure reading and taught me how to read when I was a toddler. We have lots of bookshelves full of books around the house, and when I am older I would like to start my very own book collection too.