

'Sir Linkalot' - Award-winning spelling app & free access for your children during the school closure

Hello everyone,

We have resourced a fun and innovative app called 'Sir Linkalot' that is transforming how spelling is taught in UK schools, especially for those tricky common exception words, all the way from *was*, *two* and *they* up to *accommodation*, *manoeuvre* and even *onomatopoeia*! Sir Linkalot has visited many Sunderland schools recently and was a big hit. The children and parents loved him but, more importantly, what he has to offer is special as it's never been done before. The app is achieving incredible results, especially for those children who find spelling an issue. It's amazing.

We think that it would be a great idea to give you free access during 'Lockdown' to enable your children to practise at home. There are two obvious benefits: one, it would most definitely raise their literacy levels and, two, it would make life a whole lot easier for you! Each bundle has two forms of testing (other than Level 1 that has just one) so they could challenge themselves and their brothers and sisters and other family members as they can also use the code.

To find out what it's all about, please click on the following clip (you'll be hooked in within 10 seconds when the boy says 'I was terrible at it')...[The Future of Spelling](#)

It is not solely for spelling, however. It's covering the whole of the technical requirements of literacy, i.e vocabulary, homophones, punctuation, grammar, rules and patterns. You will see in the above clip that Countdown's Susie Dent is on the app as 'Susie Lexicographer' who will tell you the etymology of words that have an interesting story to tell.

Here's an example of a "Susie Story"...[Biscuit - Etymology](#) [Biscuit - Spelling](#)

Once you have downloaded it from an online store, tap on the log icon (for 'Log in') at the top right, clicking on "Sir Linkalot's Code (schools only)". Type 'Willowsfield' in the username and the following password AAWYSHL3XX. Tap on a bundle and away you go!

You can also view it on a laptop or PC. Type in the browser itself (not a search engine)...app.sirlinkalot.org and follow the above instructions.

Many dyslexia associations endorse the approach as, it's proven, that visual resources are the most powerful way to commit something to memory.

Take a look at this (you'll see him coming out with some dance moves halfway through!)...[And the winner is...](#)