

Reading Matters in the Community: Reading Mentor Training – Community Volunteers

This training course provides our community volunteers with the skills and knowledge to become a Reading Mentor. Participants can then provide effective and timely support to encourage struggling readers in school.

Overview

- An in-depth 2 day training course
- For up to 15 participants
- National Open College Network Level 2 and 3 Accreditation
- All training notes provided by Reading Matters
- Ongoing placement support and management including personal interview, CRB disclosure, reference checks, placement visit and introduction to school, review visits
- Ongoing support and training including 'refresher' training, networking meetings and termly newsletters
- Become a Reading Mentor in school for 1 hour twice per week
- Provides inter-generational benefits

Content

Main skills and knowledge to be learned:

- Identification of reading difficulties
- How to work one-to-one effectively
- Choose appropriate reading resources
- How to carry out a simple reading age test
- Understand the negative impact of poor reading skills on self confidence and self esteem
- Gain an insight into the Literacy Curriculum
- Understand safeguarding children procedures

Cost

Training costs £195 per volunteer, this is funded from other sources for Community Volunteers directly recruited by Reading Matters.