

# Chapter 3



## PM Oral Literacy



**PM Oral Literacy** provides students with the essential skills and strategies they need to be confident speakers and effective listeners. Three key competencies – reading, writing and oral literacy – are interconnected, and oral literacy is essential in the development of successful literate students and effective communicators.

**PM Oral Literacy** series spans the first year of primary school through to Year 6. It recognises the fundamental importance of continuous oral and aural skill development throughout primary school.

The combination of interactive print and digital resources which comprise the **PM Oral Literacy** series will extend and enrich students' oral literacy skills, enabling them to think, speak, listen and question with confidence.

### Components

The **PM Oral Literacy** series contains books and digital resources for all PM reading levels, across the following stages: Emergent (levels 1–5), Early (levels 3–14), Developing (levels 15–19), Consolidating (levels 20–24) and Extending (levels 25–30).

## Exploring Vocabulary Big Books and IWB DVDs

The **PM Exploring Vocabulary Big Books and DVDs**, published at each of the five **PM Oral Literacy** stages, focus on developing and reinforcing vocabulary and spoken sentence structures, so students can become confident speakers and effective listeners.

### The PM Exploring Vocabulary DVDs include:

- professionally recorded audio voiceovers so students can hear the texts read aloud
- videos designed to initiate conversation in the classroom
- discussion questions to develop students' speaking and listening skills
- texts presented in the form of sentence starters which can be completed digitally and printed
- comprehensive teaching notes and activities to ensure that new learning is carefully developed and reinforced.



## PM Rhymes

### Big Book (Emergent)

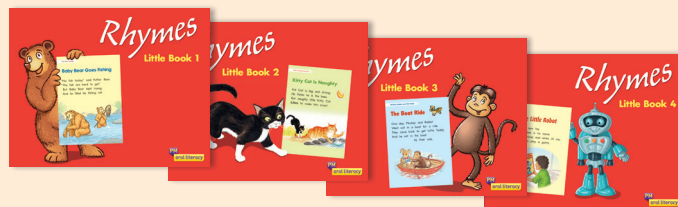
The **PM Rhymes Big Book** with CD-ROM, at the Emergent stage (levels 1–5), includes short, original rhymes and features popular PM characters.

The CD-ROM includes audio, so students can listen and recite or sing along to their favourite rhyme or poem.



### Little Books (Emergent)

The four **PM Rhymes Little Books** include all the rhymes that appear in the corresponding **PM Rhymes Big Book** and are designed to be used by students and in conjunction with the *Big Book* and CD-ROM.



## PM Finger Poems and Verses

The **PM Finger Poems and Verses Big Book and DVD** includes classic poems and verses that students can recite and perform.

### The PM Finger Poems and Verses DVD contains:

- professionally recorded audio so students can listen and recite or sing along to their favourite rhyme or poem
- subtitled videos that show classroom children performing the actions of each poem.



## PM Poems Little Books

The three **PM Poems Little Books** include all the rhymes and poems that appear in the corresponding **PM Finger Poems and Verses Big Book** and are designed to be used by students and in conjunction with the *Big Book* and DVD.



## PM Sequencing Cards Emergent (Levels 3–5) and Early (Levels 6–14)

The **PM Sequencing Cards** Box Sets enable students to tell their favourite PM stories in their own words. The textless cards in each box feature illustrations from the **PM Guided Reading** books, and introduce students to the structure of stories by focusing on a beginning, a middle and an end, and retelling a narrative in a sequential story. The **PM Sequencing Cards Emergent Box Set** consists of 10 sets of sequencing cards ranging from levels 3–5 (five cards per set). The **PM Sequencing Cards Early Box Set** consists of 20 sets of sequencing cards ranging from Levels 6–14 (five cards per set).

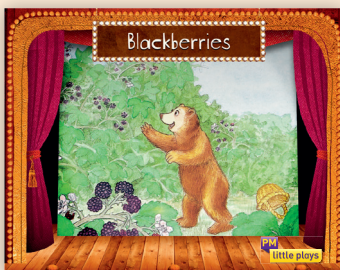
Each **PM Sequencing Cards** Box Set contains an IWB CD-ROM with digital versions of the sequencing cards. The software offers three separate functions: structuring – students focus on the beginning, middle and end of a story; sequencing – students learn the logical sequence of a story, and writing – students write their own story.



## PM Little Plays – 30 Titles from Levels 6–14

Adapted from 30 all-time favourite PM titles, the **PM Little Plays** have been specifically crafted for Early readers (levels 6–14). Students will love performing as their favourite PM characters. They can choose from Jolly Roger, Baby Bear, Jack and Billy, Katie and Joe, Sam and many more.

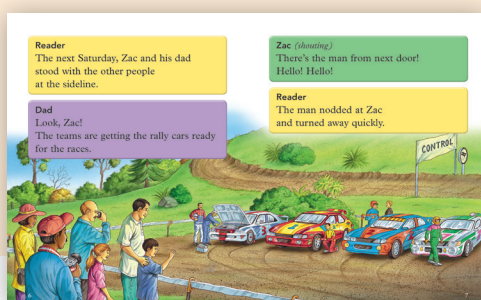
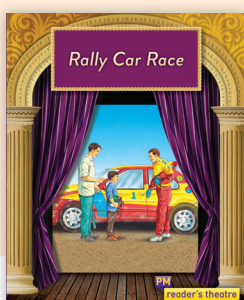
Role playing and story dramatisation are essential for developing the oral literacy skills of early readers. The **PM Little Plays** motivate students to project and adapt their voices, while exploring the meaning of these carefully levelled texts. Comprehensive teaching notes are included on the inside front cover of each book.



## PM Reader's Theatre – 30 Titles from Levels 15–30

The **PM Reader's Theatre** titles allow students to dramatise some of their favourite PM stories, along with some brand-new ones. **PM Reader's Theatre** comprises 30 texts, which are slightly more advanced than the **PM Little Plays** (levels 6–14). **PM Reader's Theatre** plays do not involve the use of props – all action is conveyed in the dialogue.

This allows students to explore characterisation and understanding of a story, as they develop the oral literacy skills of voice projection, and speaking fluently and expressively.



## PM Exploring Vocabulary Cards – Developing (Levels 15–19), Consolidating (Levels 20–24) and Extending (Levels 25–30)

The **PM Exploring Vocabulary Cards** Box Sets are used to further develop the skills acquired from the **PM Exploring Vocabulary** Big Books. Students can practise reading aloud, explore new vocabulary, ask questions (literal and inferential) about a text, and listen to and follow instructions.

### Each PM Exploring Vocabulary Cards Box Set contains:

- 20 four-page text cards (two copies of each card)
- 20 two-page student instruction cards that correspond to the text cards
- an interactive CD-ROM with electronic copies of the cards, audio, instructions, activity sheets and teacher notes. Each card features two texts – the first is a completed text designed for use in guided activities; the second provides a text starter for independent use.

The **PM Exploring Vocabulary Cards** can also be downloaded onto iPads or interactive whiteboards via a CD-ROM or web app. Visit [pmolcards.com](http://pmolcards.com).

### This software includes:

- electronic versions of the printed vocabulary cards, with images and audio
- instructions and questions relating to the texts, with audio
- pop-up vocabulary boxes for students to select alternative words
- prompts enabling students to create their own oral and written texts
- teaching notes and activity sheets for all cards.

