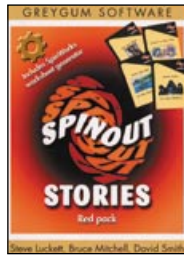
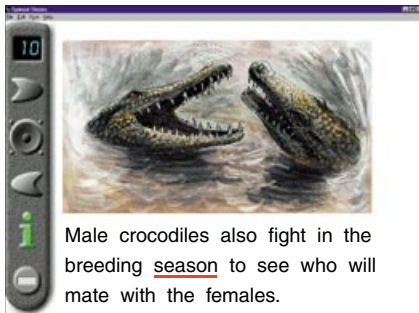


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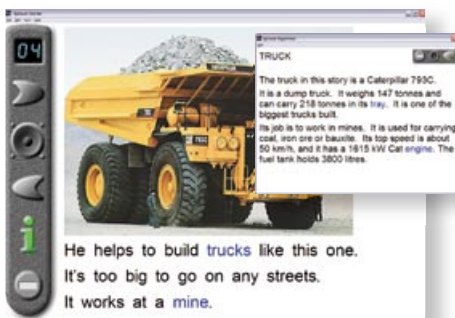
Years 4 to 10



Each story has three levels.



The hardest level of the same story.



The optional hypertext facility: click on the blue words to find out more.

Two literacy resources for older students with reading difficulties

Each of the two *Spinout Stories* packs (Red and Blue) is a collection of high interest stories and related activities especially designed to appeal to upper primary and lower secondary students who are still struggling with literacy.

Each story is available at three levels of reading difficulty to suit students of a wide range of reading abilities, and the topics are vastly different from the “teddy bear” style often found in early reading stories written for younger children.

Topics to suit older “early” readers

The Red and the Blue packs each contain four stories. In each pack, the four stories cover a variety of topics and styles:

Blue Pack

Topic	Title	Style
Big machines	<i>Diesels and Dirt</i> <i>The Best Mechanic</i>	information fiction
Crocodiles	<i>Saltwater Crocodiles</i> <i>Reptile Zoo</i>	information narrative

Red Pack

Topic	Title	Style
Dreams	<i>Gorilla Gang</i> <i>Dream to Stay Alive</i>	fiction information
Surfing	<i>Shark Ride Bay</i> <i>Surf Shop</i>	fiction narrative

Some stories are fictional, some are informative. Some are both. All are designed to grab the attention of reluctant readers.

Enrichment reading

An additional option at the hardest reading level is *Spinout’s* powerful hypertext facility, which enables students to investigate more details of the story. This encourages students to read more and more in order to obtain information beyond the basic text of the main story, by clicking on the special hypertext words.

For example, clicking on “trucks” (or on the truck in the picture) opens a new window of text that gives more detailed information about trucks. This text offers further links to words such as “engine” and “tray”, giving even more leads for students to follow their particular interests and encouraging them to read more adventurously.

Each package also includes printed worksheets of advanced comprehension exercises based on the hypertext.

Read it, hear it, write it, print it!

The computer can read all the story text aloud (with an Australian accent), and each word is underlined as it is spoken. It can also help students check their own reading by saying individual words (in a different voice) upon request.

Students can use **Spinout's** facilities to write their own version of a story and print it, complete with all the illustrations.

Full colour books

The Spinout Stories are supplied in book form as well as on CD. The package contains one copy of each story, told at its most complex level. Extra copies are available — contact Greygum Software for details.

Additional exercises

Each CD contains related reading activities, based on the text of the stories on the CD. The exercises are designed to develop students' basic skills and to give them confidence in reading and understanding. All the activities have been carefully designed by experienced teachers. These extra activities are:

Blue Pack

- Jigsaw Word recognition
- Concentration Memory game requiring word recognition
- Ladders Spelling and vocabulary building

Red Pack

- Cloze Reading with comprehension
- Wordsquare Word recognition exercise
- Quiz Comprehension test

Meeting individual needs

Using the Teacher Controls, **Spinout Stories** can be set up to meet the needs of individual students. Level of difficulty, special needs requirements and availability of printing are just some of the options that can be set.

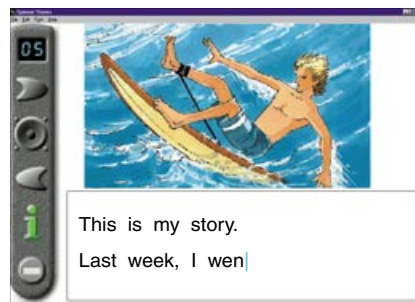
The teacher can also check a log of the time each student spends on each activity to help identify an individual's strengths and possible weaknesses.

Bonus: SpinWorks

Also included in each pack is a copy of **SpinWorks**, a powerful teacher's utility that produces printed worksheets from the text of **Spinout Stories**

and other sources. Please see page 18 for more details about **SpinWorks**.

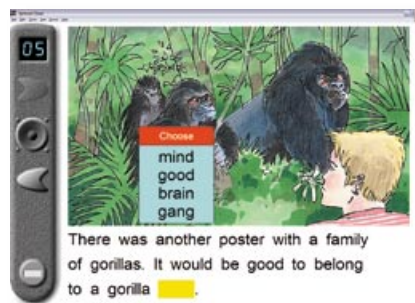
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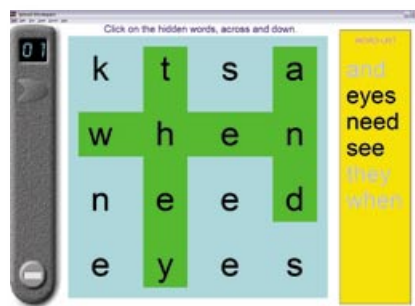
Write your own version!



Full-colour books



Cloze exercise



Wordsquare



Put words in the right order with Jigsaw.