

Letterpress Young Reader Interviews

An Interview With Erin (aged 8)

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

I remember that the first book that I bought myself and read and really enjoyed was called *You're a Bad Man, Mr Gum!* By Andy Stanton. My teacher also read the same book at school. I also remember my mum reading a book called *Poo Bum* by Stephanie Blake. I remember this because it's funny.

Q2. What are your favourite kinds of books now?

I like to read nonfiction books about animals like big cats and marine wildlife.

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

I like three fiction authors, I like Roald Dahl, Andy Stanton and Kes Gray. I have read most of the Roald Dahl books. Mum is reading *Boy: Tales of Childhood* at bedtime. It is interesting to find out about Roald Dahl's life, like how his dad had his arm amputated and how he got the cane at school.

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

I normally read in the morning and at night. I read every night at bedtime.

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

I have lots of books so I wouldn't be able to count them if I tried. When I get a new bedroom one of the walls has lots of shelves so I am going to turn it into a mini library.