

Well done to all of our students who participated in the 'Reading Riot' initiative with Cumbria Libraries. Like many other young people across the county, they chose to explore unfamiliar forms of literature and authors they had never read before. They enjoyed the challenge of reading 'a banned book', delving into a book of poetry or a story 'set in a different country'. The choice of categories was broad, so they could be adventurous in their choice of reading material.

Here are a few words from some of our students who participated in the 'Reading Riot'

**Sylvie-Belle:**

*"I absolutely loved reading new books by different authors and found it intriguing to see unfamiliar but different styles of writing. My favourite book from the 'Reading Riot' was Inkheart trilogy. It's a perfect mix of fantasy, mystery and adventure."*

**Rebecca:**

*"I enjoyed reading books by new authors and reading books I've never read. I discovered a new author called Robin Stevens and her book 'Murder Most Unladylike' was my favourite as I enjoy murder mystery stories."*

**Aidan:**

*"I enjoyed the thrill of finishing a book. A new author I discovered was Giovanna Fletcher."*

**Leah:**

*"I found great pleasure in trying new genres and expanding the range of books to read. My favourite book from the 'Reading Riot' was 'Hostage' as it focused on many people's stories, not just one. It also introduced me to a new style of writing which I enjoyed."*

