

Our World Competition Entry – Grange's Mobile Library



Friday 13th June 2025

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Our Vision

At Grange, we believe that reading opens doors, builds confidence, and brings communities together. For the *Our World* competition, we are excited to share our vision: **Grange's very own mobile library.**



If we win...

With the £1,000 prize, we would create a mobile library that encourages outdoor learning, inspires imagination, and nurtures a lifelong love of reading. This space would feature a rich selection of books, cosy reading mats, cushions, and portable shelving, all designed to make reading accessible and enjoyable anywhere.



Our Ambition

Our ambition goes beyond the classroom. The mobile library would be available to families and the wider community, supporting shared reading experiences between children and adults. It would also provide a welcoming space for community learning groups and parent readers.



Our Idea

We are considering a portable cabin or flexible storage unit that can be transformed into a warm, inviting reading space. Whether set up in the playground, field, local parks, or at school events, our mobile library will bring people together through the power of stories.

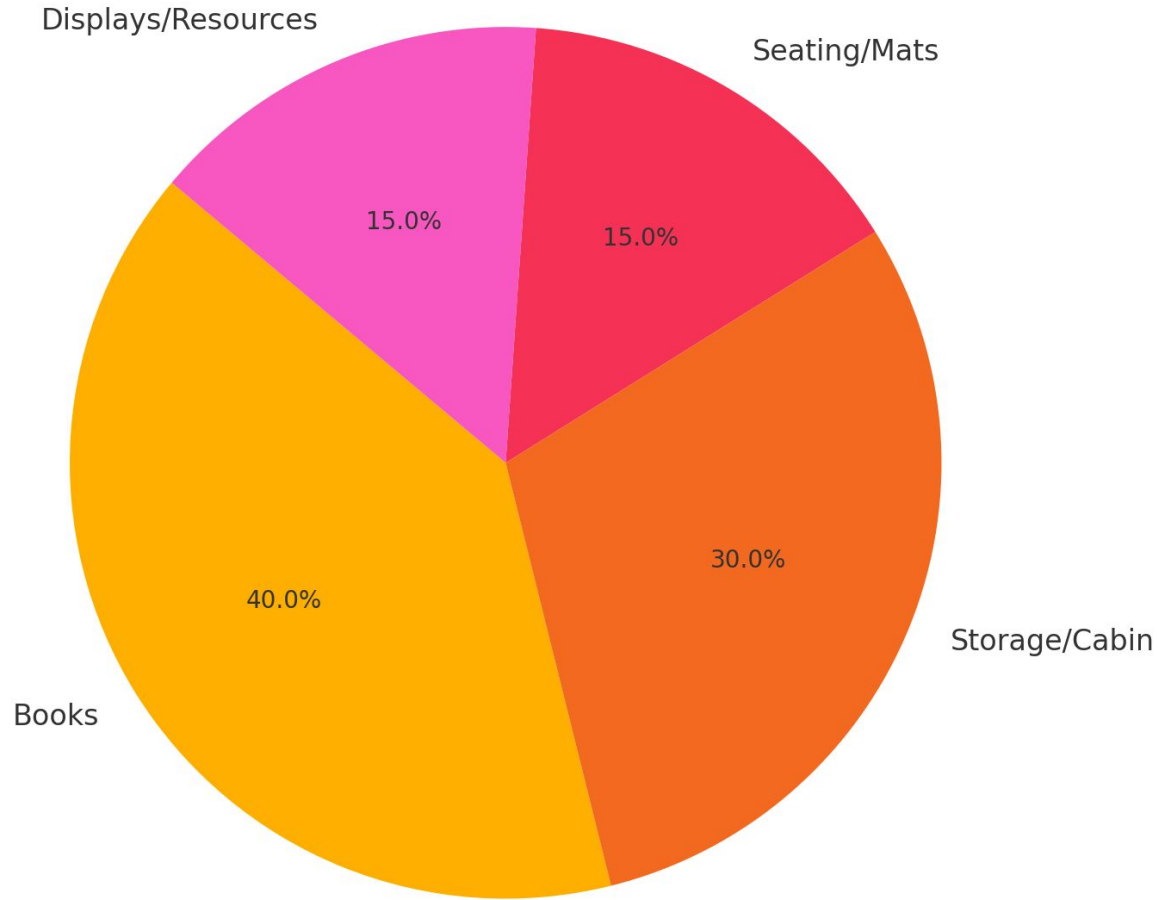


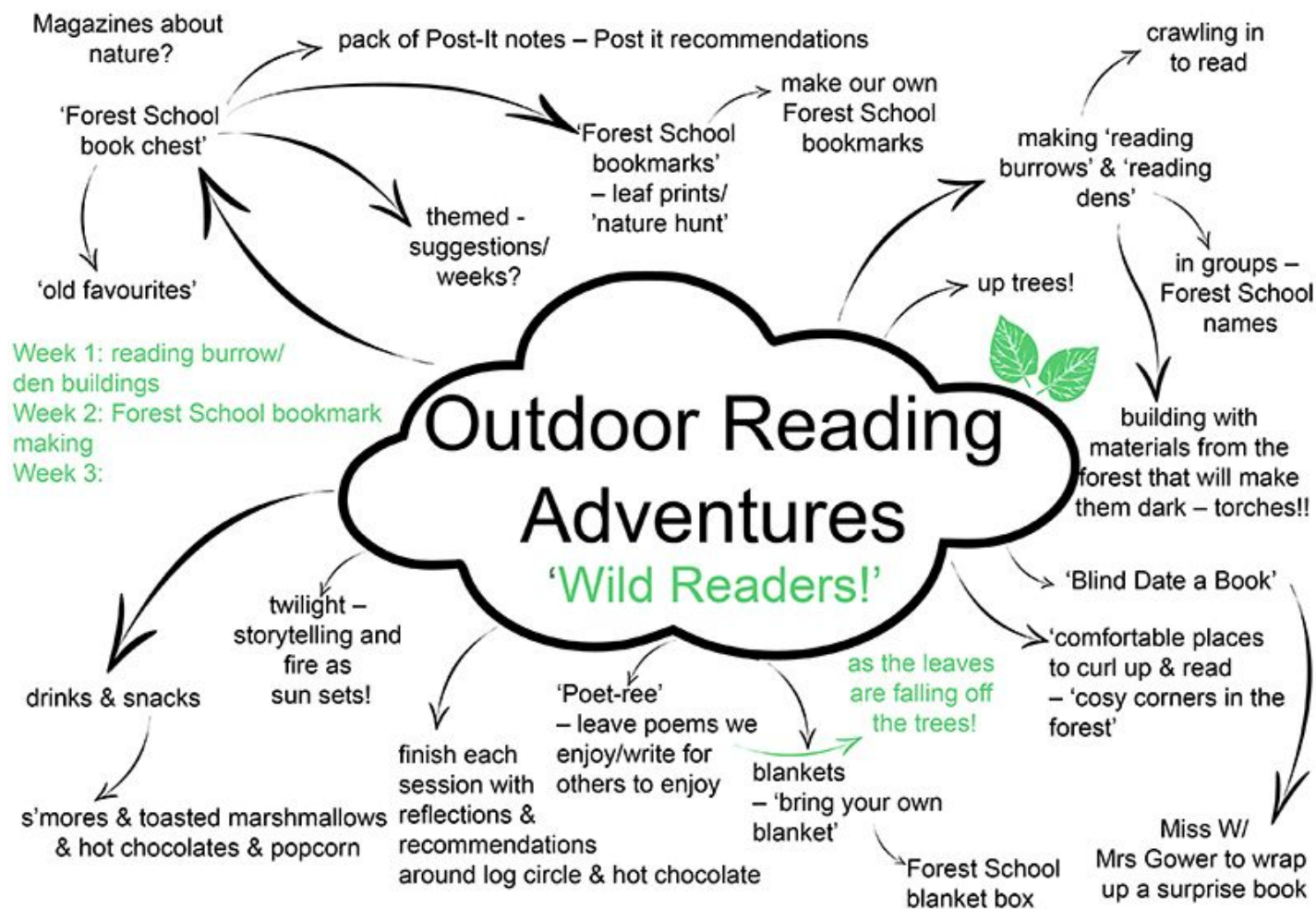
How it will help our school

This project reflects our belief in equity, education, and wellbeing — and our commitment to making *our world* a better place, one book at a time.



Grange's Mobile Library - £1,000 Budget Breakdown



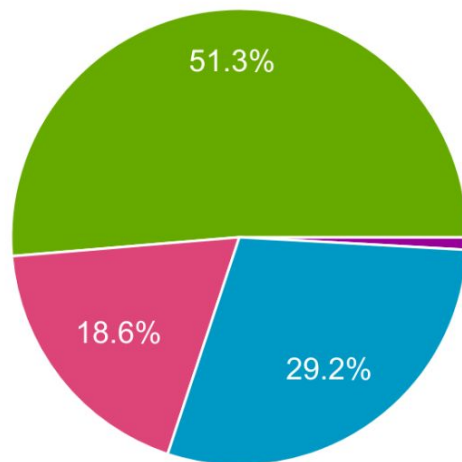


What everyone at Grange think

Pupil Voice - Result

Year Group

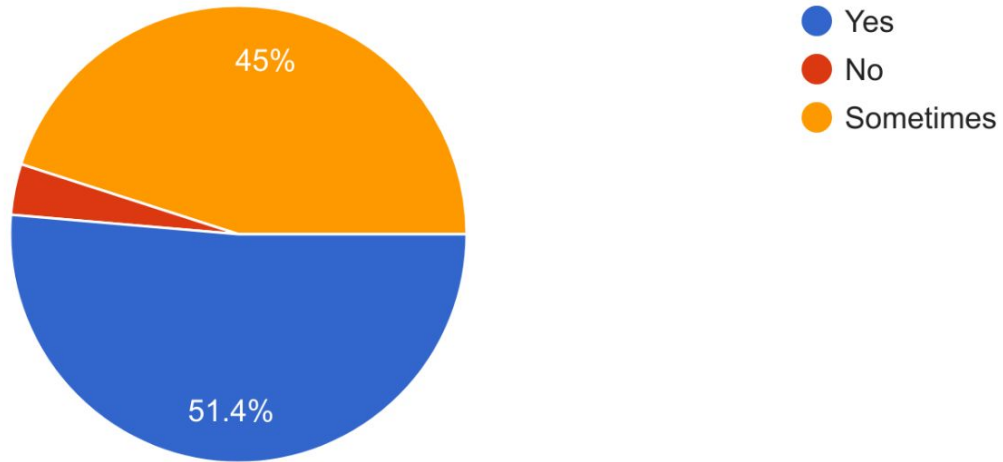
113 responses



- Nursery
- Reception
- Year 1
- Year 2
- Year 3
- Year 4
- Year 5
- Year 6

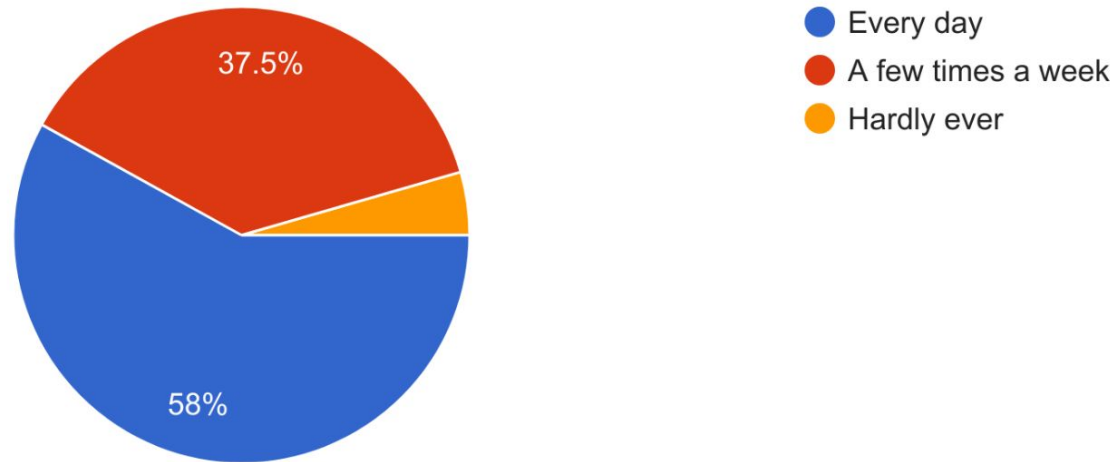
1. Do you enjoy reading?

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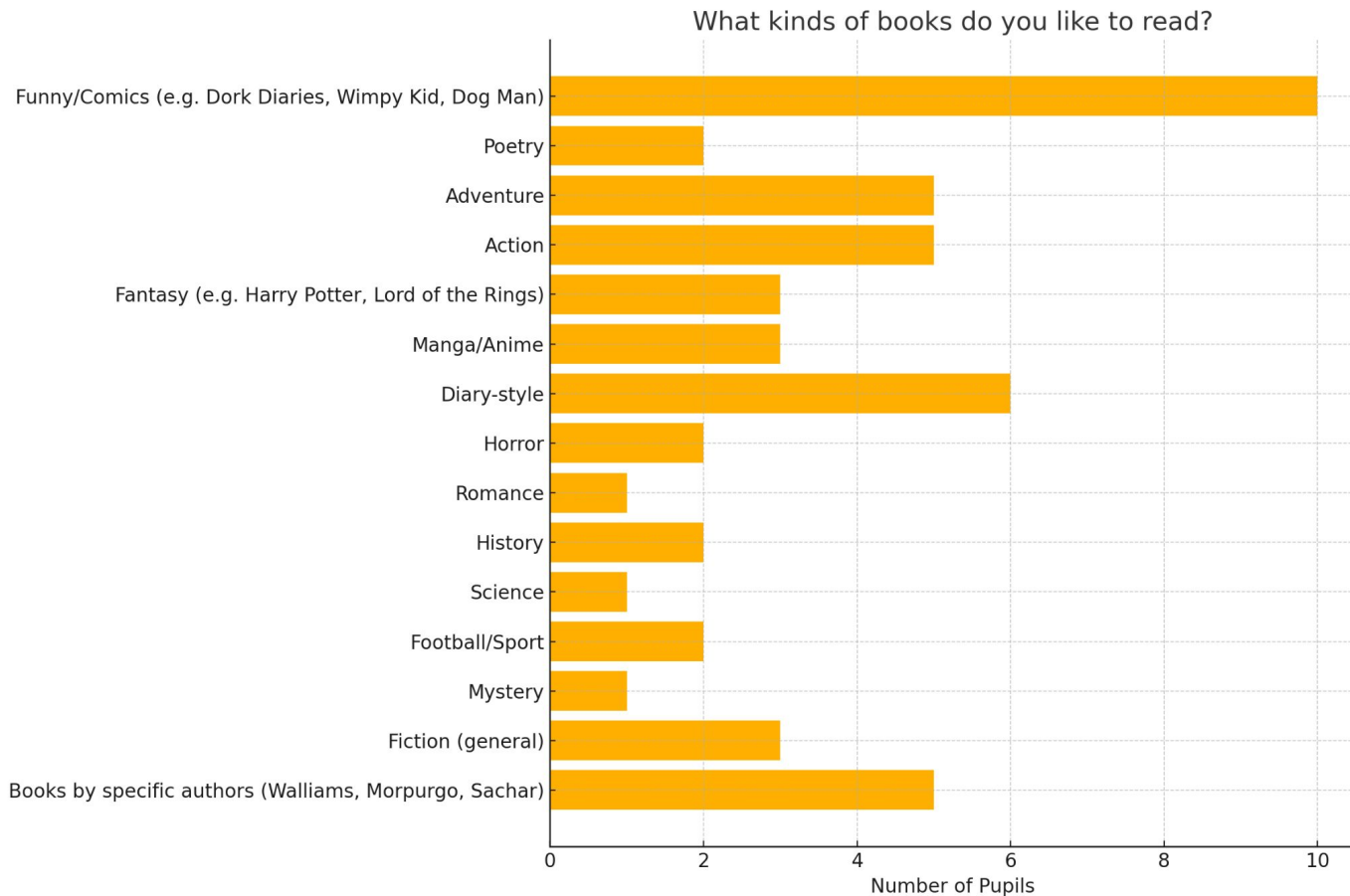


2. How often do you read at home? (Every day / A few times a week / Hardly ever)

112 responses



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Children enjoy reading lots of different types of books! Many said they like **funny books**, especially **comics** and **diary-style books** like *Dork Diaries*, *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*, and *Dog Man*. **Poems** and **short funny stories** are also popular.

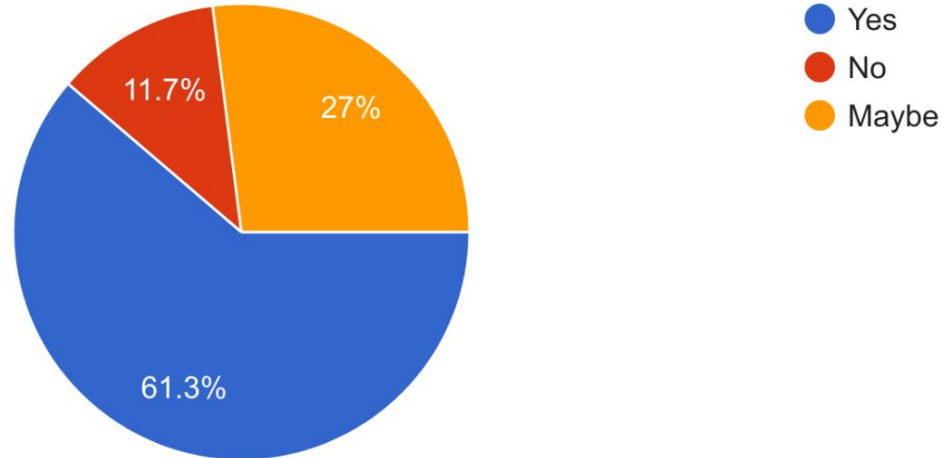
A lot of children love **action**, **adventure**, and **fantasy** books. Popular choices include *Harry Potter*, *The Lord of the Rings*, and books by **David Walliams**, **Michael Morpurgo**, and **Louis Sachar*. Some also enjoy **science books**, **history books**, and **football books**.

Manga and anime-style books, like *Blue Lock*, were mentioned too. Other favourites include **mystery**, **romance**, and **horror stories** such as *Goosebumps*.

Many children enjoy **fiction books**, especially ones with interesting characters, villains, and exciting plots. Some even said they enjoy **modest**, **long stories**, or will give **any book** a try if it's interesting or fun!

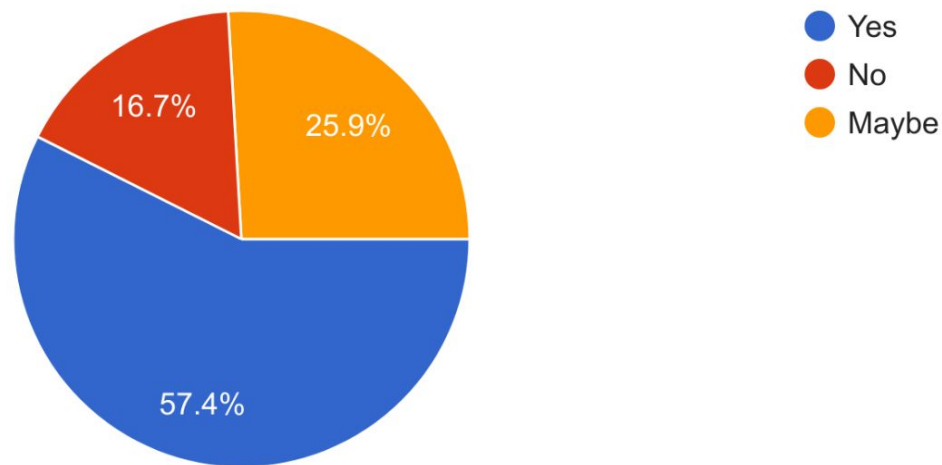
4. Do you have a quiet or comfy place to read at school?

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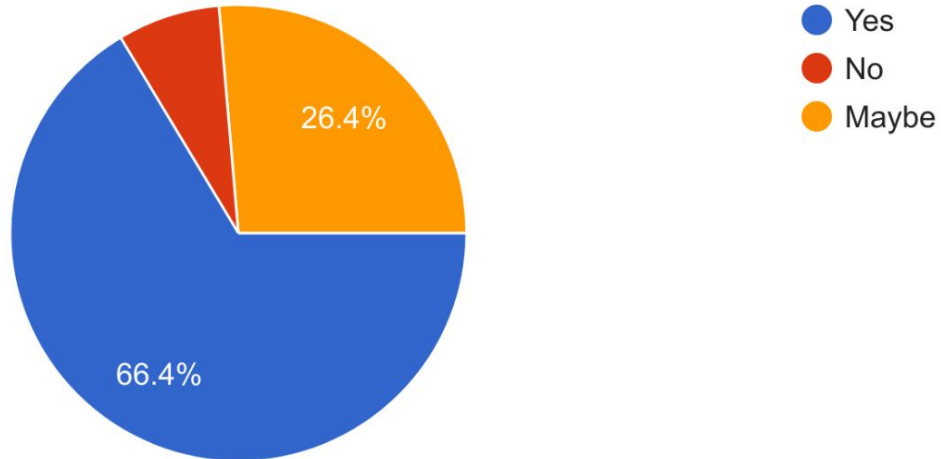
5. Would you like more chances to read outside?

108 responses



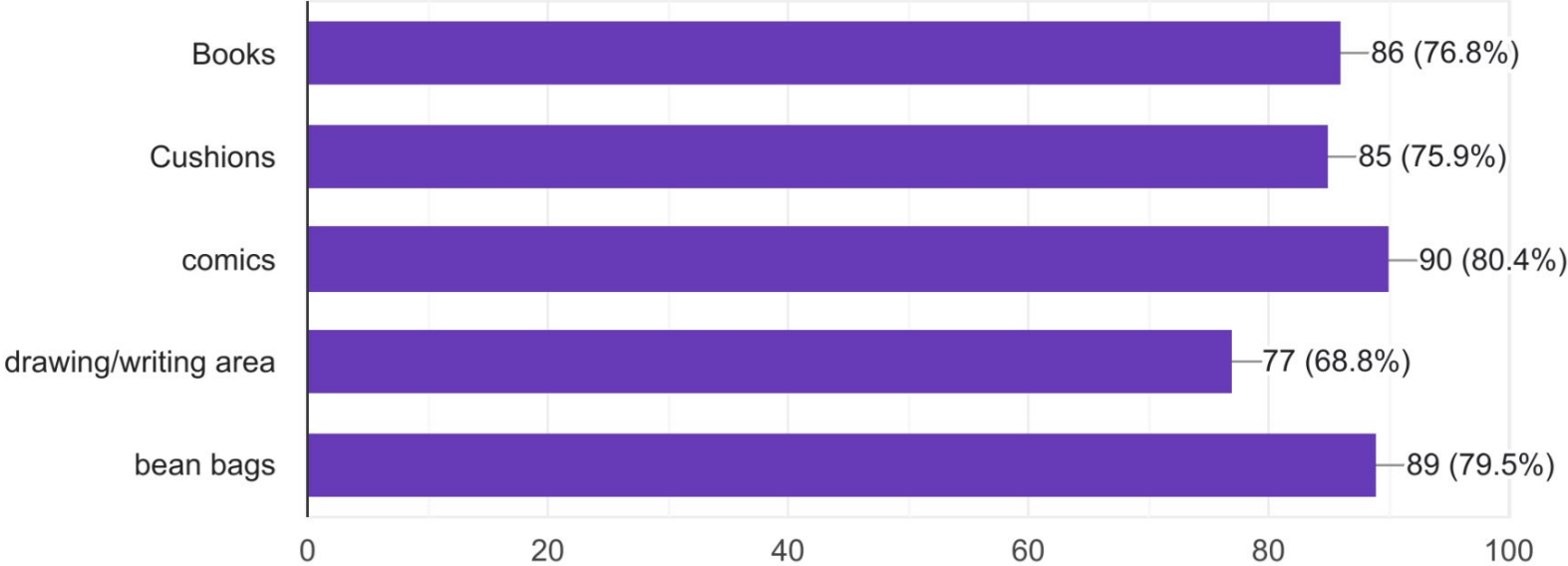
6. Would you use a mobile library if we had one at school?

110 responses

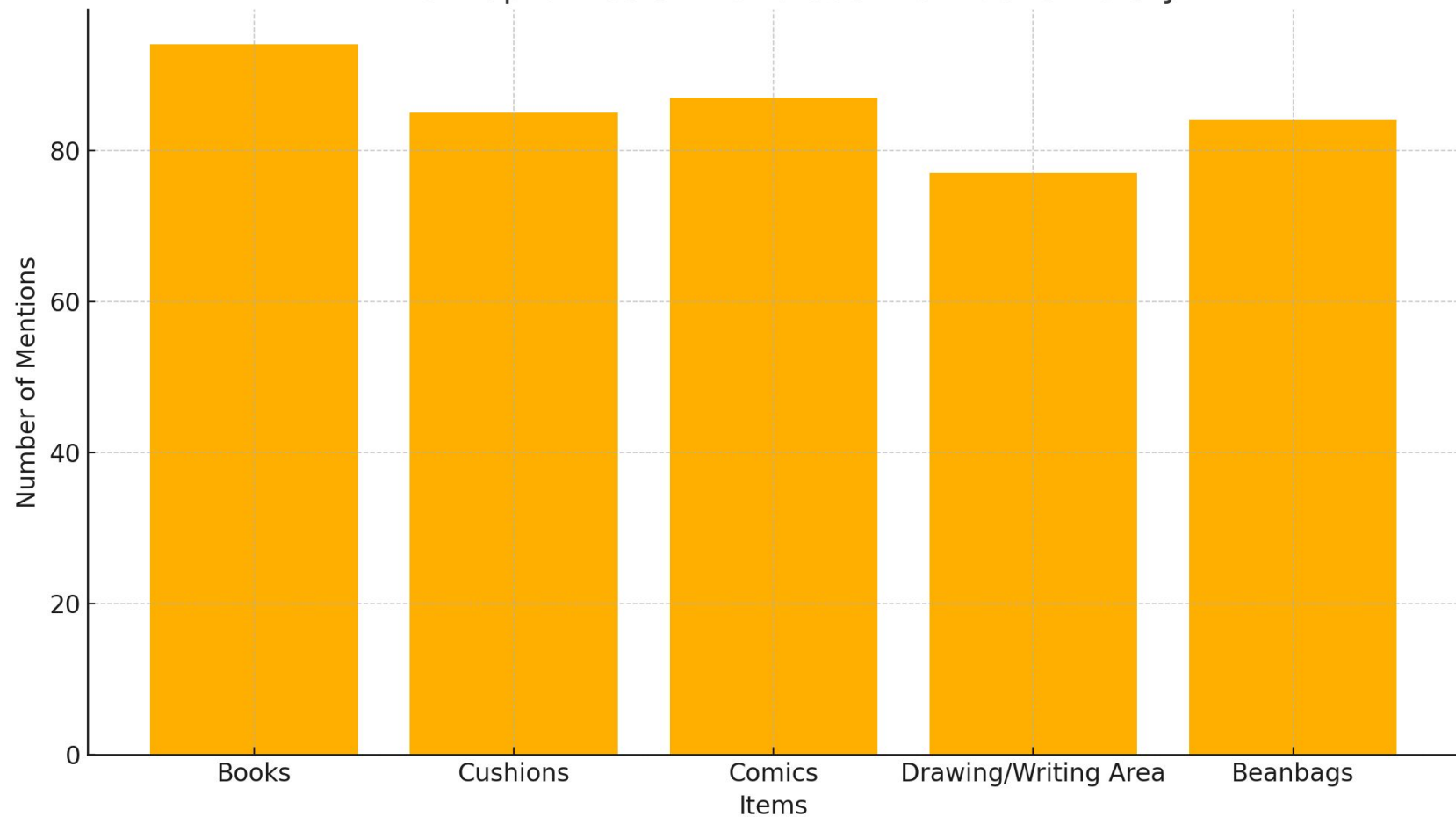


7. What would you like to see in a mobile library? (Tick all that apply: books, cushions, comics, drawing/writing area, beanbags)

112 responses



What Pupils Would Like to See in a Mobile Library



What Would Make Our Mobile Library Even Better?

We asked you what else you'd love to see in the mobile library – and you had lots of amazing ideas!

Cosy and Comfy

- Sofas, cushions, beanbags, and blankets
- Mats and tents to chill out in
- Shady spots for hot days

Books You Love

- *Harry Potter, Dog Man, Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Dork Diaries*
- Comics, manga, fun fact books, history and sport books
- Review books to write about what you've read

What Would Make Our Mobile Library Even Better?

Cool Extras

- Tablets to find books
- Colouring and drawing areas
- Whiteboards and word games
- Lights, posters, and bright colours to make it fun

Snacks and Extras

- Snacks (with limits so there's enough for everyone)

- Water or cool air when it's hot
- A toilet nearby

Reading Together

- Someone reading stories aloud
- Quiet corners to read with a friend
- A space to chat about your favourite books

Children would love a mobile library that is not only filled with a range of books (especially comics) but also offers a comfortable and inviting space with cushions, beanbags, and a dedicated area to draw and write.

Can you think of anything else you would like to see in the mobile library?

There are lots of fun and useful things we would love to have in the mobile library to make it even better.

Some of us would like a **roof or shaded area**, so we can read peacefully without the sun in our eyes. A **mini tent, shade**, or even a **cooling station** would be great for hot days. It would also be lovely to have **mats, comfy chairs**, or even a **couch**, so we can relax and enjoy our books. Reading outside in the sunshine with a comfy spot would make the mobile library feel even more special.

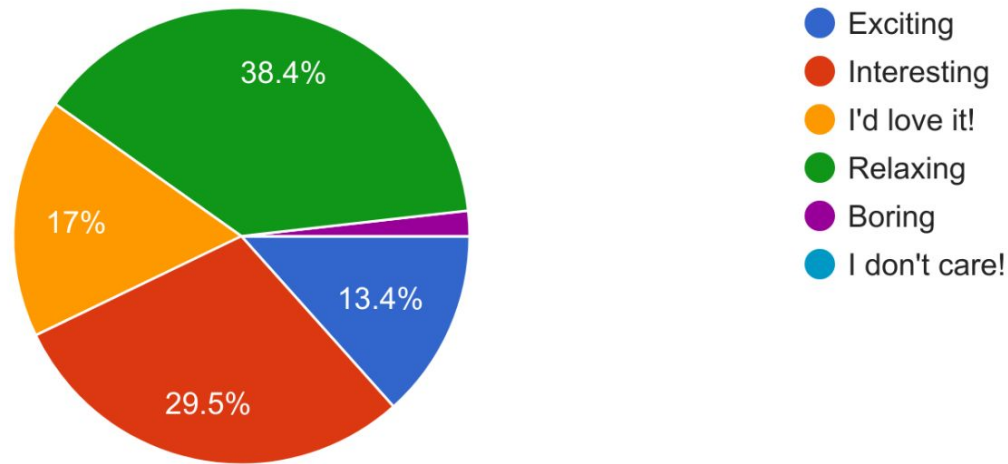
We'd also love a **quiet and comfortable space** with different **sections for types of books**, like history books, sporty books, manga, and favourites like *Harry Potter*, *Dog Man*, *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*, *Dork Diaries*, and even *Shakespeare*! A **tablet or screen to help find books** would make it easier for everyone to explore.

Some children would like to have **snacks (with limits!)**, or fun extras like **art activities, poem writing, math games**, and even **book hunts**, where you tick off books you've found on a list. **Paintings and colours** could also make the space feel more welcoming and creative.

Most of all, we want the mobile library to be a place where everyone feels welcome to read, relax, and enjoy their time.

8. How would it feel to read outside or in a special reading cabin?

112 responses

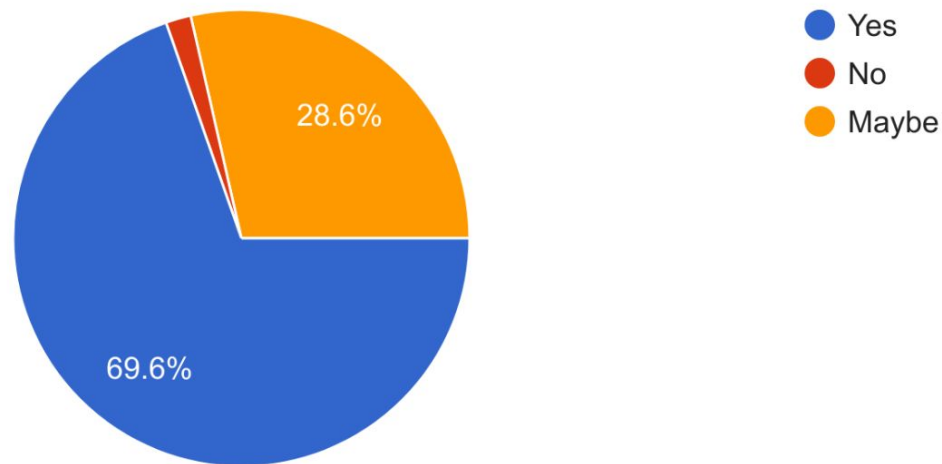


The majority of pupils responded positively to the idea of reading outside or in a special reading cabin. Common feelings included:

- **Relaxing** – frequently mentioned, suggesting a calm and peaceful reading environment.
- **Interesting** – many children found the idea engaging and appealing.
- **Exciting** – several pupils felt it would be a fun and different experience.
- **“I’d love it!”** – this enthusiastic phrase appeared multiple times, showing strong interest and excitement.
- Only **two** children described it as **boring**, indicating an overwhelmingly positive overall response.

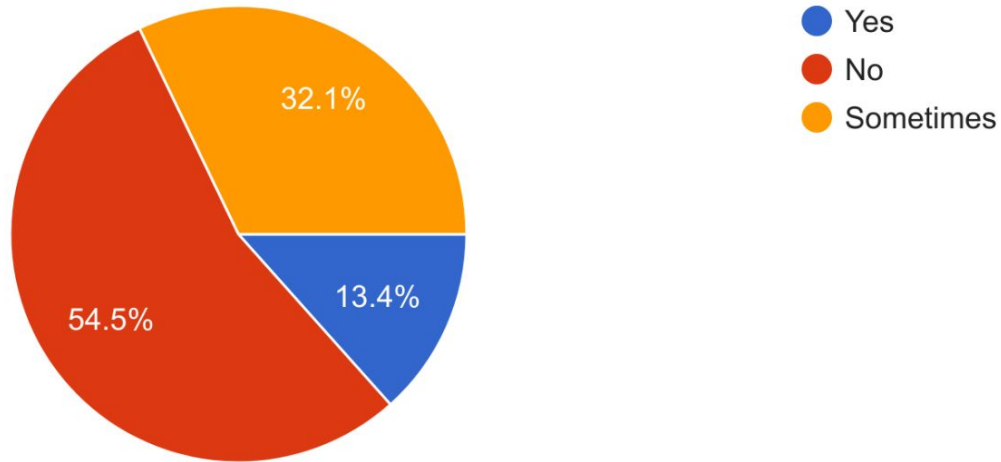
9. Would you like to visit the mobile library with a friend, class, or your family?

112 responses



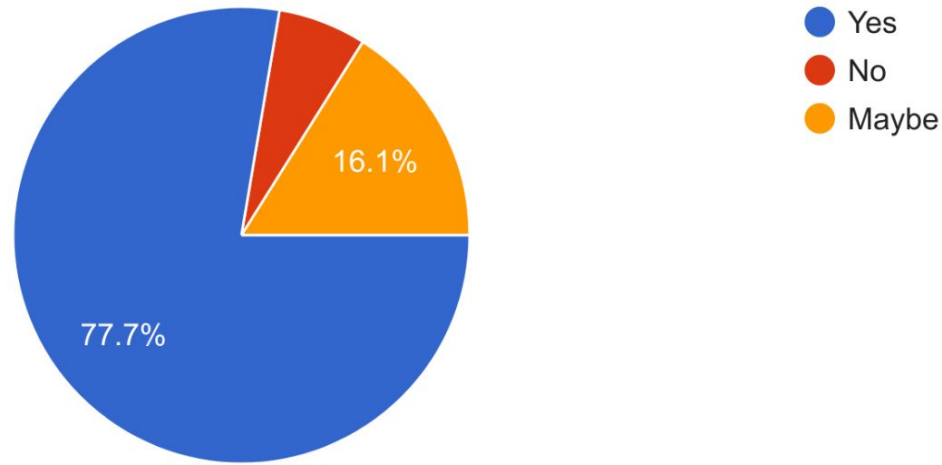
10. Do you visit your local library outside of school? (Yes / No)

112 responses



11. Do you have books at home that you enjoy reading?

112 responses



12. What could we do to help more children enjoy reading?

We can help more children enjoy reading by making it fun, exciting, and easy to do!

One idea is to have more places to find books, like a mobile library that visits our school every week. We could also have more chances to go to the school library — as long as we keep it tidy and quiet. Making the library cosy with beanbags, cushions, and cool decorations would make it a nice place to relax and read.

It would be great to have more books that children actually like, such as funny books, comics, and stories for all ages. We could even do a survey to find out what everyone's favourite authors and books are, so we can get more of them in the library.

We could have fun events like book fairs, reading workshops, and even reading challenges with prizes! Posters and short videos could help show why reading is important and how much fun it can be.

Reading doesn't always have to be done alone — someone could read to us with lots of expression to make the story come alive, or we could read to each other. Having quiet, comfy places to sit would also help us enjoy our books more.

Most of all, we should be allowed to choose the books we like and read them in a fun and friendly space. That way, more children will see that reading can be amazing!