# Become a storyteller! Develop a quick and easy rapport with children using our FREE 30-minute online storytelling training course

Storytelling can be a simple way to break down communication barriers.

This free, 30 minute online training course will give you the skills to create an instant connection with a child, putting them more at ease, even in the most traumatic of circumstances.

#### Drawing on 10 years of experience

Since 2010, Read for Good has provided a professional storytelling service to children in hospitals across the UK. It's not just about entertainment: our research evidences that a visit from our storyteller makes a child feel less anxious, more relaxed, and happier overall. Families feel the benefits too.



## Who is the training for

This free training is suitable for anyone working with children in a medical setting – from porters to paediatricians and physios to play specialists - we believe that anyone can learn how to create stories.

#### What does it do

The training will build your confidence to interact with young people of all ages. You will learn easy-to-use tools that will enable you to quickly develop an easy interaction with a child. Whether it's to put the child at ease, distract them from their situation, or to help draw out information that can inform your treatment, your clinical encounter will be improved.

### What are the outcomes

- Establish an instant rapport
- Gain the trust and confidence of a young patient
- Give the child some much-needed control within a clinical interaction
- Give a child tools to help express what they are feeling or what has happened to them
- Reduce the patient's and carer's anxiety and stress, aiding diagnosis and treatment
- Normalise medical equipment and the medical environment for a child.

For more information, to access the training and to reveal your inner storyteller, go to www.readforgood.org/storytelling-training



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