

Professional Learning Guide

Foundation/Prep/Kindergarten

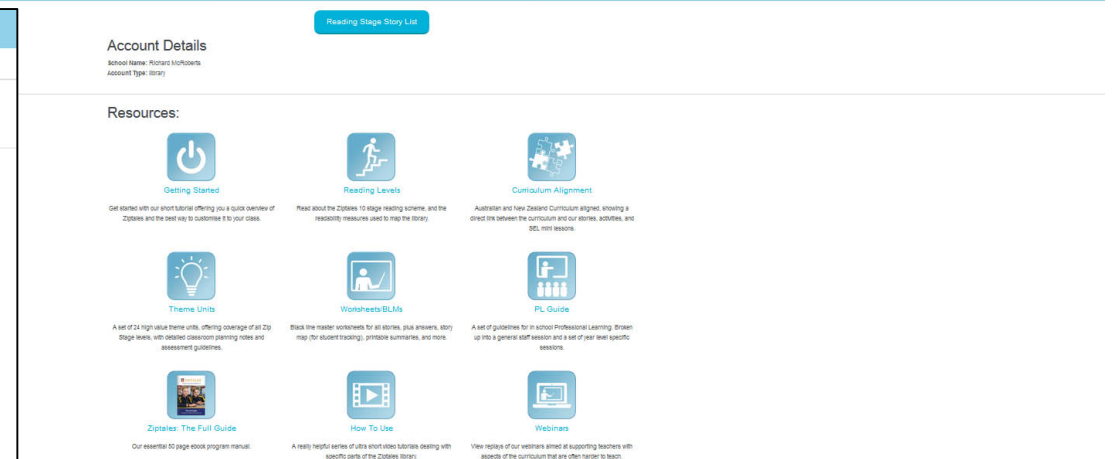
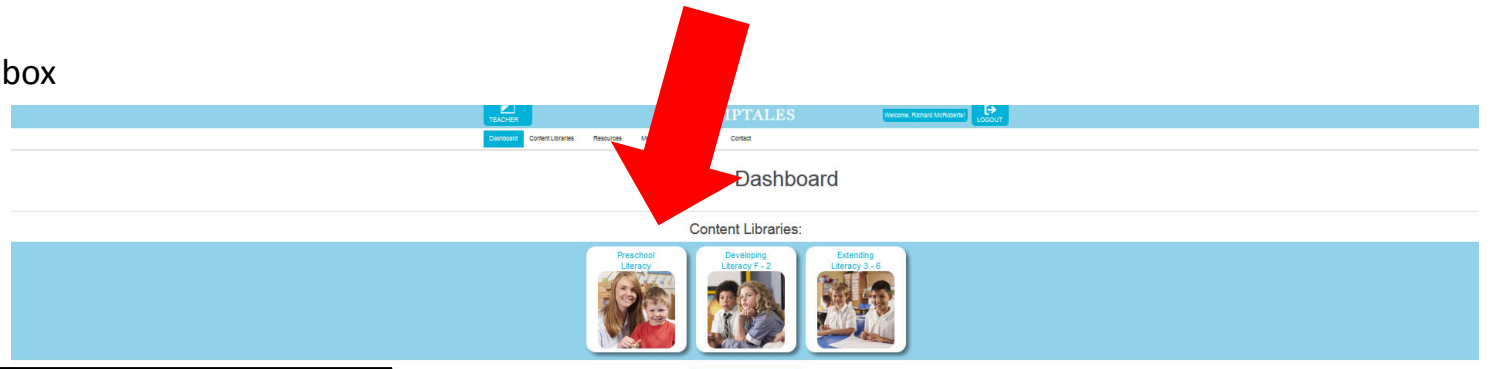


Using Ziptales in Foundation (Prep/Kindergarten)

Log in to the **Teacher Dashboard** (via the drop down box in the top left corner).

Open the **Developing Literacy** content library.

Explore the major content modules relevant to Foundation/Prep students.

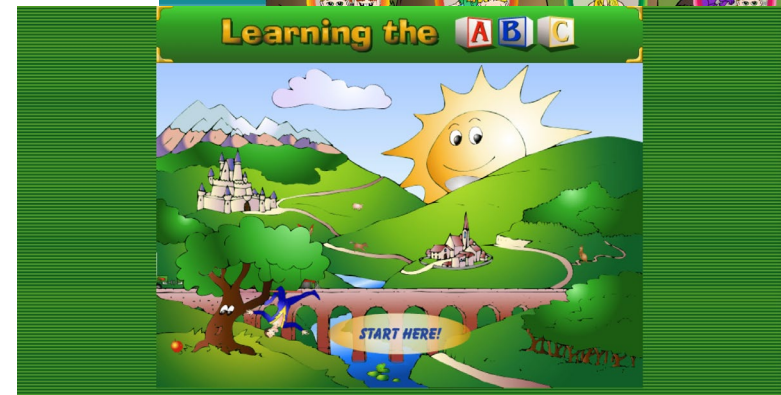


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Easy Readers – offers rhyming, animated, phonics-based stories with highlighted text. Worksheets are provided for classroom use.

Storytime – features animated cartoon stories including traditional fairy tales. Multiple Choice questions and follow up worksheet are supplied for each story.

ABC – teaches letter names, sounds and formation with follow up worksheets.

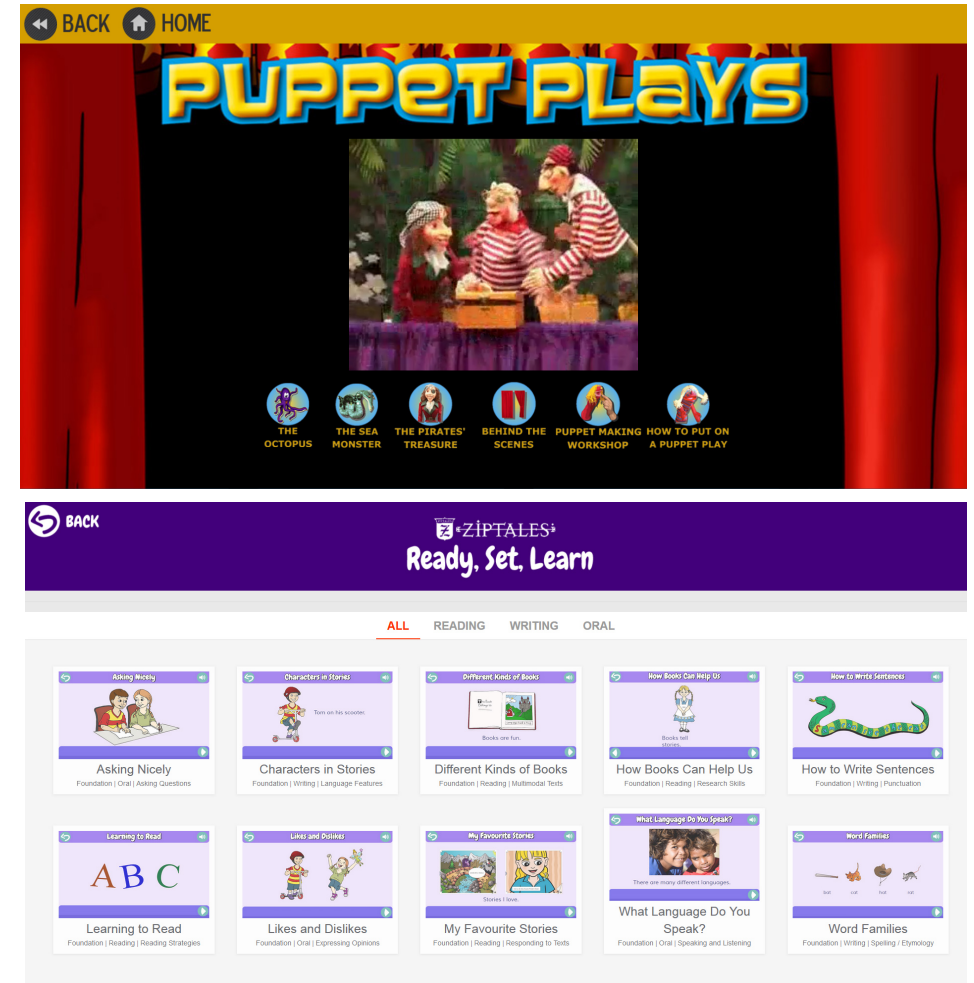


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Puppet Plays – videos of real life puppet plays. Follow up worksheets for the stories are provided along with puppet making templates and script ideas for students to create their own puppet plays.



Specialised English Lessons – use the red *Filters* button to select *Foundation*. Use the *Reading*, *Writing* and *Oral Language* buttons to explore the lessons provided specifically for Foundation/Prep students. All have voiceovers and follow up classroom activities.

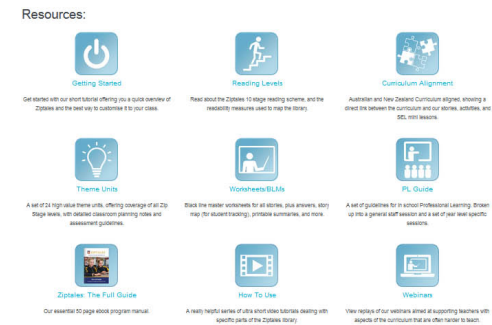
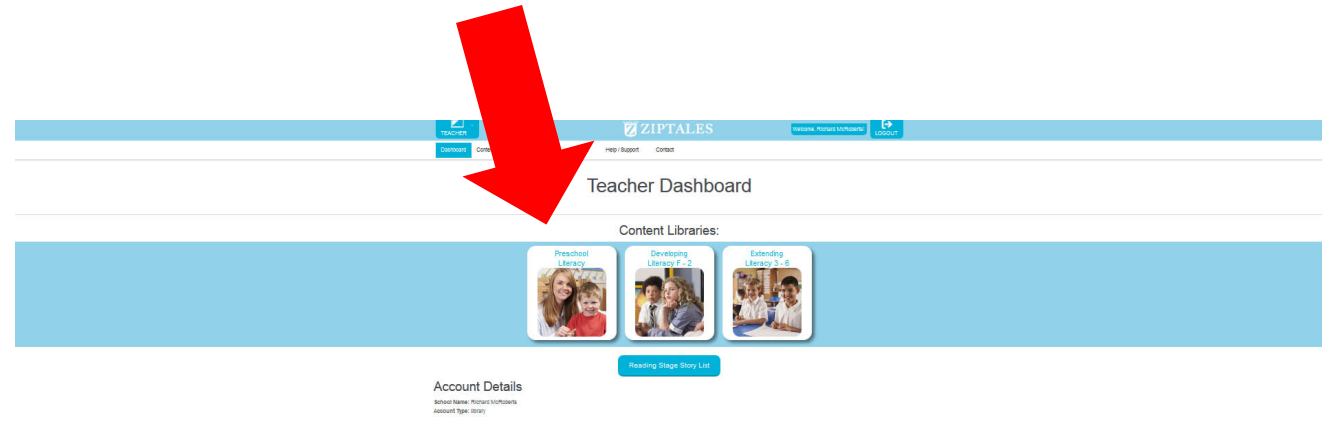


The screenshot shows the Ziptales website interface. At the top, there are navigation buttons for 'BACK' and 'HOME'. Below this is a large banner for 'PUPPET PLAYS' with a central image of three puppets on a stage. Underneath the banner are six circular icons representing different puppet plays: 'THE OCTOPUS', 'THE SEA MONSTER', 'THE PIRATES' TREASURE', 'BEHIND THE SCENES', 'PUPPET MAKING WORKSHOP', and 'HOW TO PUT ON A PUPPET PLAY'. Below the banner is a purple navigation bar with a 'BACK' button, the Ziptales logo, and the tagline 'Ready, Set, Learn'. Below the navigation bar are four filter buttons: 'ALL', 'READING', 'WRITING', and 'ORAL'. The main content area displays a grid of lesson cards. Each card has a title, a small illustration, and a list of associated skills. The cards shown are: 'Asking Nicely' (Foundation | Oral | Asking Questions), 'Characters in Stories' (Foundation | Writing | Language Features), 'Different Kinds of Books' (Foundation | Reading | Multimedia | Texts), 'How Books Can Help Us' (Foundation | Reading | Research Skills), 'How to Write Sentences' (Foundation | Writing | Punctuation), 'Learning to Read' (Foundation | Reading | Reading Strategies), 'Likes and Dislikes' (Foundation | Oral | Expressing Opinions), 'My Favourite Stories' (Foundation | Reading | Responding to Texts), 'What Language Do You Speak?' (Foundation | Oral | Speaking and Listening), and 'Word Families' (Foundation | Writing | Spelling | Etymology).

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If time permits, explore some of the features of the **Preschool Literacy** library that are also relevant to the early stages of Foundation/Prep.

Open the **Preschool Literacy** content library (via the **Content Libraries** link located in the menu bar at the top of the page).



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Letter Fun – teaches letter names and sounds. Includes voiceovers and pictures of animated words that use that letter as a beginning sound.



My First Words – spells familiar words using relatable themes.



Nursery Rhymes – a range of popular nursery rhymes. Each rhyme is sung and animated.

