

Presenter: Parents, we hope you've been enjoying our podcasts. If so, you will enjoy the Lingokids App. Get it today and discover why over 50 million kids love playing and learning with the Lingokids App.

Lisa: Once upon a time there was a little--

Elliot: Why did you stop, Lisa?

Lisa: Because reading is hard and boring. I want to do something fun.

Presenter: Reading can be incredibly fun and exciting, Lisa.

Lisa: Really? I don't believe that.

Presenter: We'll show you. Welcome to storytime by Lingokids, where we discover fascinating facts about the world around us and the fun of play learning. Lingokids listeners I think today we can rediscover our love of reading together and turn Lisa into a bookworm.

Elliot: Why would we turn Lisa into a worm?

Lisa: No, I like being Lisa.

Presenter: Don't worry, Lisa. A bookworm is not a real worm. It's just a word used to describe people who love books.

Lisa: Oh, still, I don't think you'll be able to turn me into a bookworm, books are boring.

Presenter: Have you ever read a book before, Lisa?

Lisa: Well, no, not really.

Presenter: Then how do you know you don't like it?

Lisa: I don't know. It just seems boring.

Presenter: Okay. Let me come up with something more interesting. Would you like to go to the pyramids in Egypt?

Lisa: Yes.

Elliot: Yes.

Presenter: Or how about we go back in time and visit the Kings and Queens from the middle ages?

Lisa: Yes.

Presenter: How about we visit a new planet entirely or a magical land with fairies, walking trees, and fire-breathing dragons?

File name: P94_SK47_Lisa the Bookworm_v1.wav

Lisa: Yes. That sounds super fun, but how can we do that?

Presenter: Believe it or not by reading.

All: What?

Lisa: But all you do is sit and stare at pages without moving. How can they take you anywhere?

Presenter: Well, they don't take you there really, but they can take your mind anywhere. With the help of your imagination, books can show you how things were in the past or even in the future. They can open a window into a new world or even take you inside someone else's mind.

All: Wow.

Coww: How can reading take you inside somebody else's mind?

Presenter: Well, Coww, because you learn so much about the author and what she, or he thinks just by reading their book.

Lisa: Arthur, who is Arthur?

Elliot: Arthur? Does he write all the books in the world?

Presenter: It does sound similar Elliot, but it's author, not Arthur. The author of a book is the person who wrote it. If you wrote a book, you would be the author. There are so many talented authors that have written incredible books. Can you think of any authors that you like?

Elliot: I like Dr. Susan.

Presenter: Oh, you mean Dr. Seuss?

Elliot: Yes. Dr. Seuss.

Presenter: Yes. He's a great author that wrote lots of fun poetry and rhymes.

Coww: I like his story about the hat and the cat.

Presenter: Oh, you mean the cat in the hat? That's a really fun story. All of Dr. Seuss's stories are full of wonderful characters that everyone loves. What kind of stories do you like, Elliot?

Elliot: I like stories about dragons and heroes.

Presenter: Ah, yes. Stories about magical creatures, brave heroes, and evil sorcerous are what we call fantasy.

Coww: I love fantasy stories. They're so exciting.

Presenter: One of the best things about fantasy stories is that they help you imagine new places and characters that don't exist. Books that are about things that don't exist are what we call fiction books.

Elliot: Oh, so when we say fictional we mean something that is not real.

Presenter: Exactly, Elliot, fiction is something that isn't real. Now, how about we finish that story you started, Lisa, but this time we'll get some help. Lingokids listeners, will you help us finish the story?

Great Lisa and Elliot will start the story and then you can finish it by sending your story to us. Take it away, Lisa.

Lisa: Once upon a time, there was a little frog.

Elliot: Every day this frog likes to jump near a lake.

Presenter: It's your turn Lingokids listeners. Make sure to ask a grownup help you to finish your story and send it to us by email to podcast@lingokids.com. We would love to give you a shout-out next time. Remember if you are ready for interactive play learning time, explore our Lingokids App. It offers fun and educational songs and games to help kids ages two and older learn and develop important skills such as communication, cooperation, critical thinking, and creativity. That's the power of play learning. See you in our next episode.