

SHARED BOOK READING FOR YOUNG CHILDREN WITH DOWN SYNDROME

AIMS

We are interested in finding out how parents/carers of children with Down syndrome and parents/carers of children without Down syndrome share books together.

WHO

This study is looking for **children who enjoy sharing books with their parent**, and live within **35 miles radius of Reading University or Twickenham**.

We are recruiting:

- **24-48 months old children with Down syndrome, and**
- **12-48 months old children who are typically developing.**

PROCEDURE

We will visit you at home to video record up to 10 minutes of you sharing books with your child. We will also administer four child development assessments and ask you about your reading practices with your child. This will help us examine the relationship between the child's development and shared book reading behaviours.

This study has received ethical approval by the University of Reading Research Ethics Committee, project 2023-071-EP, end date 01-07-2026.



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To take part, please email m.jeremic@pgr.reading.ac.uk, call 07789913288 or register at <https://reading.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/sbr-ds-registration>

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