

Readwell Road reading books for adult learners by Linda Hoole.

Please see separate overview document and teaching notes for more details.

	Entry level 1 Step 1	Entry level 1/ 2 Step 2	Entry level 2/3 Step 3	Entry level 3/ level 1 Step 4
A shop	The Shop	The Shop must Shut	The Shop is Saved	The Robbery
B Pub	The Topcat	Peg and the Pub	Romance is in the Air	A Proposal
C No. 1	Jim and Nan	Poor Old Jim	Student Gardeners	A surprise for Jim and Nan
D No. 3	Wil and Lal	The Babysitter	No Football for Jon	Teenage Tantrums
E No 5	Helen and Adam	Coffee and Cake	A Heating Problem	Helen Smells a Rat
F No. 7	Mick and Lin	No Job for Mick	A Perfect Job	Fire
G No 6	Susan	Jack is Ill	A Panic for Susan	Mad Kay
H No. 2	Sam	Sam is in love	Another man?	The Stag Night
I No.4	Pat and Ben	Pat and her Pal	A shock for Ben and Pat	Our Baby (not written)
J No. 8	Ann	A Doggy Problem	A Bad Dog	A New Home for Max
K No.9	Dot	Dot's Problem	Messy Students	Students at the Fair
L No 10	Les	A Very Old Man	A Fall	Mystery at no. 10

Please note that Step 1, A-F, and Step 2 A-C are also available on www.skillsworkshop.org – sample Step 4 titles will be available soon.

Readwell Road map – for teacher and student reference

<p>No. 9 Dot Lives alone, husband left her Takes in students; Kevin, Dan, Gavin, Tim.</p>	<p>Readwell Road</p>	<p>No. 10 Les; old man Goes to live in a care home Disabled man, Mike, moves in</p>
<p>No. 7 Mick and Lin Mick is out of work They buy fish and chip shop</p>		<p>No. 8 Ann Lives alone Has problem with dog, Max</p>
<p>No. 5 Adam and Helen One son, Tim Big house, but money problems</p>		<p>No. 6 Susan Teacher, single parent Son Jack</p>
<p>No. 3 Wil and Lal Teenage kids and baby Wil is stepfather to teenagers</p>		<p>No. 4 Pat and Ben Ben, car mechanic Twins Alan and Jess</p>
<p>No. 1 Jim and Nan Elderly; cannot cope with garden Try out students Conrad, Nan's lost son arrives</p>		<p>No. 2 Sam Divorced from Jen Loves Peg Works in pub</p>
<p>The shop Pam and Ron Threatened with closure Robbery Max the dog</p>		<p>The Topcat Pub Peg owns pub Sam is lover They marry</p>

STEP 3A

The Shop is Saved

"What do we need at the cash and carry Pam?"

It was Friday and Ron was on his way to get the stock for the shop at the end of Readwell Road. He had to go to the cash and carry in the town.

"Do not get too much," said Pam, "we may have to close next week unless the MP has managed to stop it. We do not get much cash from the shop and the Post Office may have to close. I wish we could find another way to make more cash."

"How about getting a few computers to put in the shop? That will bring in lots of cash."

"Don't be daft. Can you see Nan, Jim and Dot at a computer? They are too old and I do not think that they will pay."

"Maybe not," agreed Ron, "but we must do something."

"I will have a think today when you are at the cash and carry," said Pam.

"Okay love, I will see you later."



Ron left and Pam sat at her desk. She looked at the cash books and felt sad. There was no way that they could carry on like this. If the Post Office shut they would have to sell up and move. The bell on the shop door rang. Pam went into the shop.

"Hello, can I help you?" she said.

The man in the shop smiled at her.

"I am Bill, your local M.P. You sent me a list of names, local people who do not want the Post Office to shut. I have some very good news for you. You can stay open. You will have a letter soon."

Pam ran to Bill and gave him a big hug.

"Thank you so much for your help, just wait until I tell Ron, He will want to hug you too."

"I hope not," said Bill, "but I liked your hug."

When Ron came home and Pam told him the news he was very happy. They had a big bottle of wine from the stock and drank to the future.

STEP 3B

The Dream

Peg dragged the beer barrel across the floor. She was in the cellar of the Top Cat pub and had no one to help her.

"I wish Sam was here to help me," she said to herself.

"He has not been into the pub all week. I hope he comes to the quiz tomorrow as it will be very busy and this barrel of beer will not last all night. Peter may be back by then but I cannot be sure."

Sam lives next door to the pub and helps Peg in the cellar and in the bar if he is not at work. She is in love with him and thinks that he loves her too but Sam has been hurt by Jen, his ex wife. Jen ran off with a rich man called Dev. They now live in the town in a posh flat and have a big, flashy, new car. Sam is not rich but he is a good man and Peg loves him.

"One day Sam will come into the pub with a big bunch of flowers. He will get down on one knee and ask me to marry him. I will say yes then he will give me a pretty ring."

"We will have a wedding in the church at the end of the road then we will all come back to the pub for food and drink. I will wear a pretty dress and I will have flowers in my hair. The pub will be full of flowers. Then we will be happy ever after. We will have a baby boy and a baby girl and..."

"Any chance of a drink in this pub?" A man was in the bar and it was time to open up.

Peg woke up from her daydream.

"I'm coming," she called back.

Peg worked hard in the pub all day but she kept looking at the door to see if Sam was there. He did not come into the Pub all day or that night. It was Friday and all Sam's pals were in the pub but not Sam.

Peg was sad when she went to bed that night.

"Maybe Sam does not love me after all," she said to herself. "I will have to look for another man."



STEP 3C

Student Gardeners

Nan went to all the people in Readwell Road to find somebody to help Jim in the garden. Ted said that he was too busy mending cars to help and Meg and Kim were at work all day and like to run and jog after work. They had no time to help Jim.

The students in Dot's house said, "We will help Jim in the garden. We are big and strong. We will dig and weed and we can help in every way."

Nan said that she needed help every day. The students said that they would work every day from Monday to Friday and they live next door.

The students set a rota for work in the garden and for the first few weeks everything was good. Kevin worked on Monday and mowed the lawn. Gavin worked on Tuesday, he cut the bushes. On Wednesday Dan dug the borders. On Thursday Tim took out the weeds and on Friday all the students helped to put the rubbish in the bins or into the compost bin.

Nan and Jim were very happy and Jim's back did not hurt anymore.

"At last there is not a problem with the garden," said Nan.

"I am glad too," said Jim "now my back can get better.

The students are doing a good job but I will have to keep an eye on them."

One week there was a big problem. Tim did not turn up for work as he was ill and Gavin had to go to see his tutor. Dan had a bad leg so he could not dig and Tim pulled out all the new plants that Jim had put in the garden.

Nan and Jim were not happy. "We will have to find somebody else to help now." said Jim. "I will not have the students in my garden again."

"We will put an advert in the paper," said Nan, "and in the shop. We will find somebody that way."



So that is what they did.