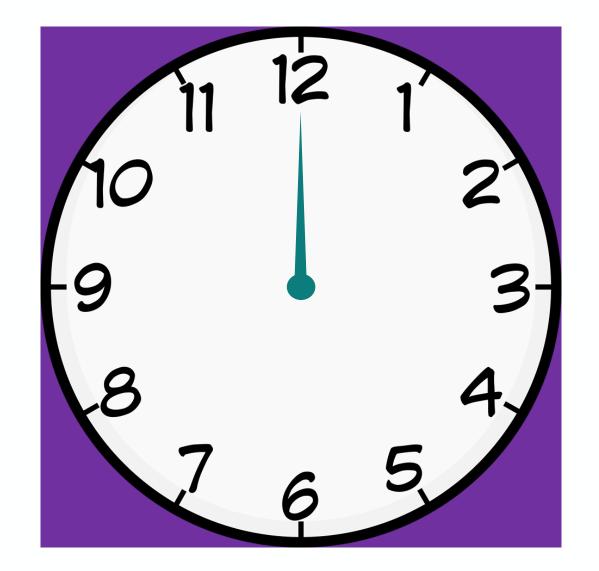




Public libraries, social mobility and social justice

"a source of pleasure and improvement in the cottages, the garrets and the cellars of the poorest of our people."











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"for almost one in every two children to be poor in 21st Century Britain is not just a disgrace, but a social calamity and an economic disaster".

The UN's Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty Professor Philip Alston



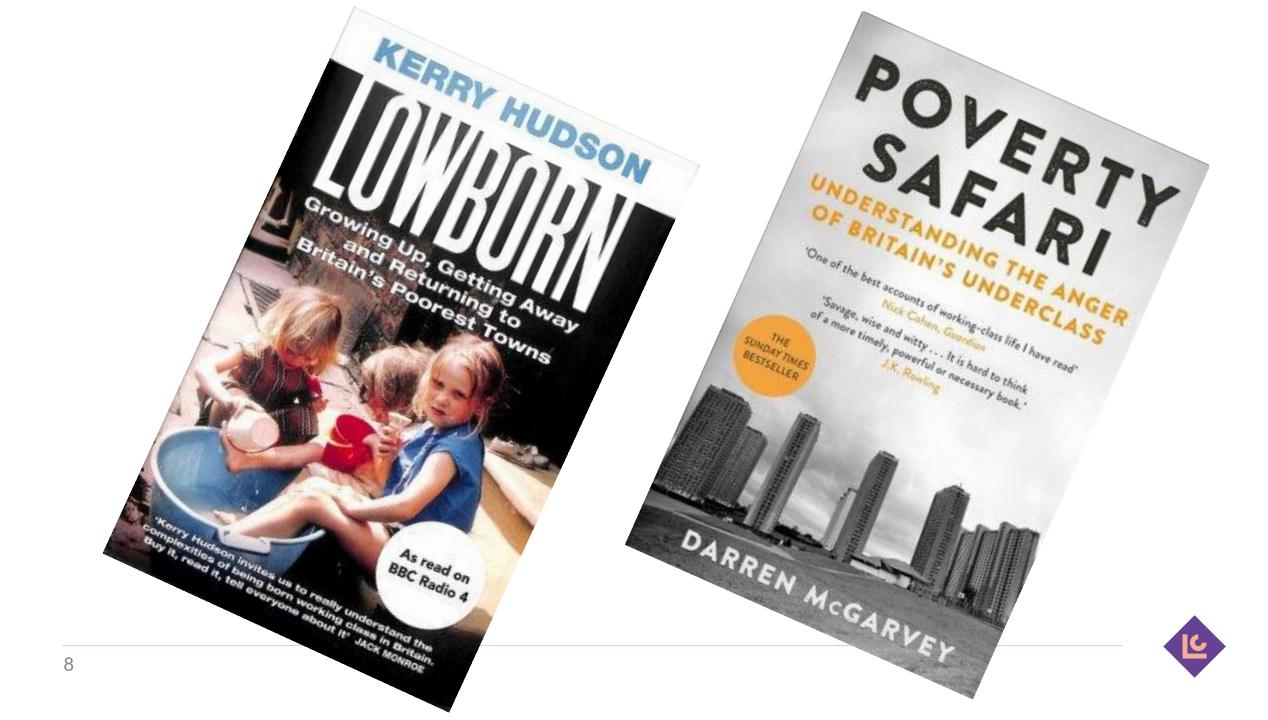




"bad libraries build collections, good libraries build services, great libraries build communities".

R. David Lankes, director of the University of South Carolina's School of Library and Information Science





SAFARI-SO-GOODIE IT'S THE GREAT LIBRARY LUNCH!

Every Wednesday in August children can pick up a free lunch at the library and join in with family friendly activities.

Free lunches will be given away at Devonport Library, St Budeaux Library and a Pop-Up Library at the Four Greens Centre in Whitleigh.

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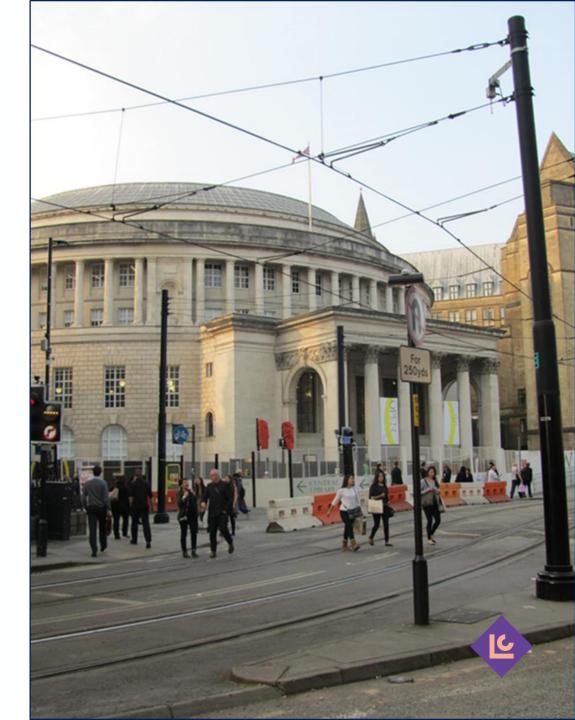




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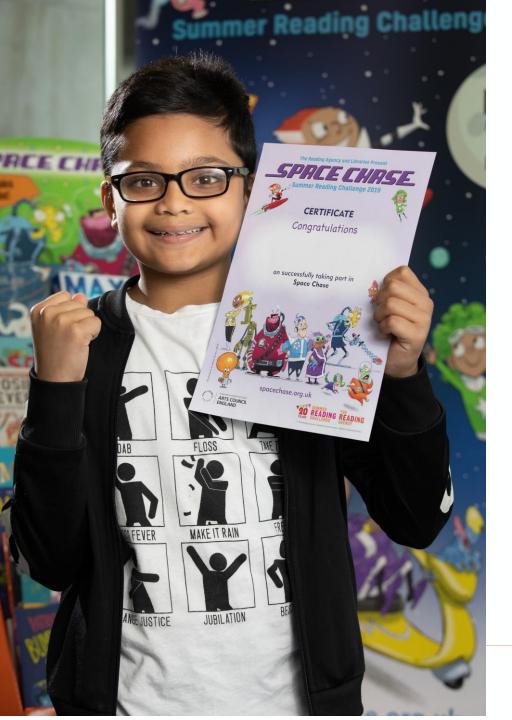
"walking into a library is often the first step a person takes out of social exclusion, unemployment and poverty".

Darren McGarvey













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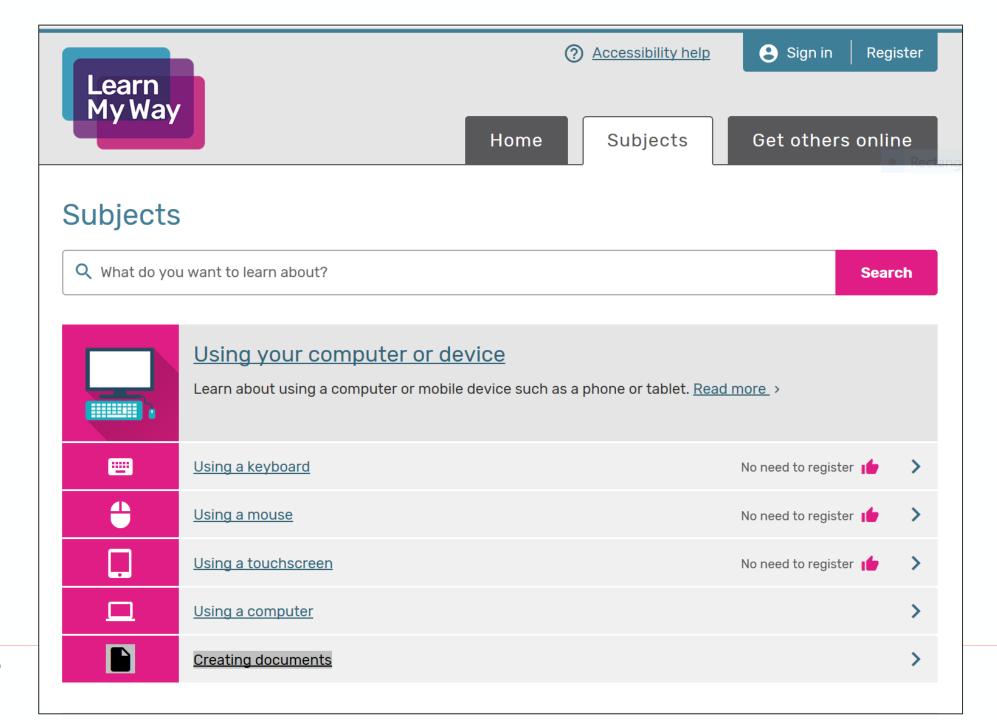


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