

HOW PICKER PALS WORKS

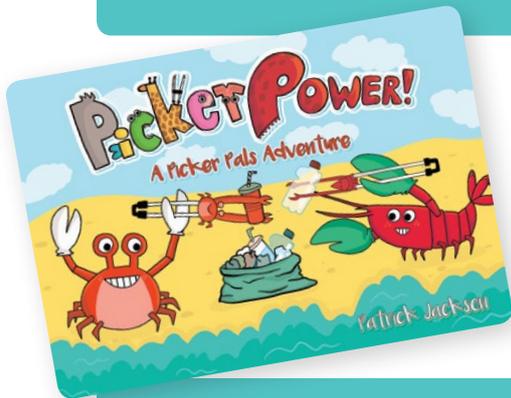
Step-by-Step Guide

You will find Programme Introduction videos, Picker Pals story readings, the Picker Pals song and other fun stuff on the Picker Pals World YouTube channel.

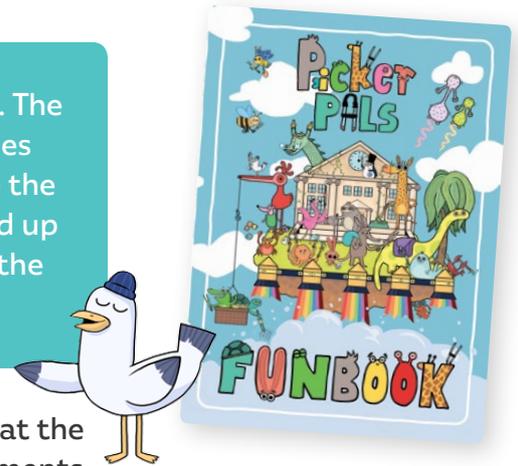
1 The **Picker Pod** arrives! Use the inside of the Picker Pod delivery pack as a classroom poster. Make useful boxes out of each end to keep your important Picker Pals documents.



2 Give each child their own copy of the **Picker Pals Adventure Reader "Picker Power!"** featuring the *Picker Pals* characters on a litter-picking adventure. Read the story together as a class and let the children take their books home. Talk about the story and discuss how littering has a negative effect on the natural world, why people litter and what we can all do about it.



3 Give each child their own copy of the **Picker Pals Funbook**. The activities can become a platform for discussion about issues such as consumption, waste and recycling. Help children make the connection between the things we buy and the things that end up as litter. Think of ways that we can all play our part in making the world better through reducing, reusing, recycling and refusing.



4 Sing the **Picker Pals Song** together. You can find the lyrics at the back of the Picker Pals Funbook. Make up some fun movements to go along with the lyrics. We'd love to see and hear your class's renditions, so feel free to share them with us.

5 Introduce the children to the **Picker Pack**. Show them the adult and child picker-uppers, gloves, hi-vis vests, Safety Information and bags. Tell them that they will be taking turns to bring home the Picker Pack and go on litter-picking adventures in their own neighbourhoods.



6 Carefully read and discuss the **Safety Information** together. The adults will have received the information as part of the **Parent's Letter** which should be sent out to all families. All children should have submitted the **Parental Permission Form**. Only children who have submitted this may take home the Picker Pack. Some parents may not be willing or able to participate. In those cases, children can go on a litter-picking adventure on the school grounds instead.

7 In turn, each child takes home the **Picker Pack**. There is likely to be fierce competition to be chosen. Motivated by their friends and the Picker Pals characters and stories, children lead a **litter-picking adventure** in their local area, working with an adult at all times to ensure they are safe and properly supervised. The idea is not to clean up the whole neighbourhood but to engage in a fun and memorable bonding activity that encourages environmental awareness and stewardship.



8 Children complete a **Picker Pals Report**. These reports go into the **Picker Pals Class Album** that will become a record of their group's achievement. Encourage children to either formally or informally tell their classmates the story of their litter-picking adventure. Praise and celebrate their achievements.

9 The whole class can create a **Picker Pals Adventure Wall** with pictures of them out picking and other creative records of their group's litter-picking activity. This can be displayed in their classroom, a school corridor or a digital format such as a blog or series of social media posts.



10 Throughout the year, watch the **Picker Pals TV** shows. These will be released on the *Picker Pals* YouTube channel and you will be informed of competitions and other ways to keep up the enjoyment and engagement throughout the year.

11 Discover the **Picker Pals Community** on social media and use the **#pickerpals** hashtag to share and learn more. Engage with what other *Picker Pals* around the country and world are doing to clean up their neighbourhoods. Enjoy being part of something special with a local, regional, national and global mission. We are all in this together!



12 Some classes will organise school-wide or community-wide litter-picking activities and events. Please let us know about your school's **Picker Pals Adventures**. We would be delighted to celebrate your activities with you as we build a worldwide community of young environmentalists. At the very heart of this programme is the idea of having lots of fun while showing children how they are powerful agents for positive change in the world.

Thank you for your enthusiasm, energy and engagement!