# The eReaders Web platform teachers' guide

## INTRODUCTION

Hi teacher, welcome to eReaders Web.
This small booklet will help you familiarise yourself with the eReaders Web pages, and learn how to make the most of its functions.
You'll see, using eReaders Web is very simple, enabling you to make your classes even more engaging for your students.

First, what is eReaders Web?
eReaders Web is a system that, combined with the eReaders app, allows you to utilise Black Cat Cideb Graded Readers as a teaching method, both in the classroom and at home. It's an innovative tool that makes the most of reading and storytelling opportunities, while paying specific attention to the needs of digital natives.
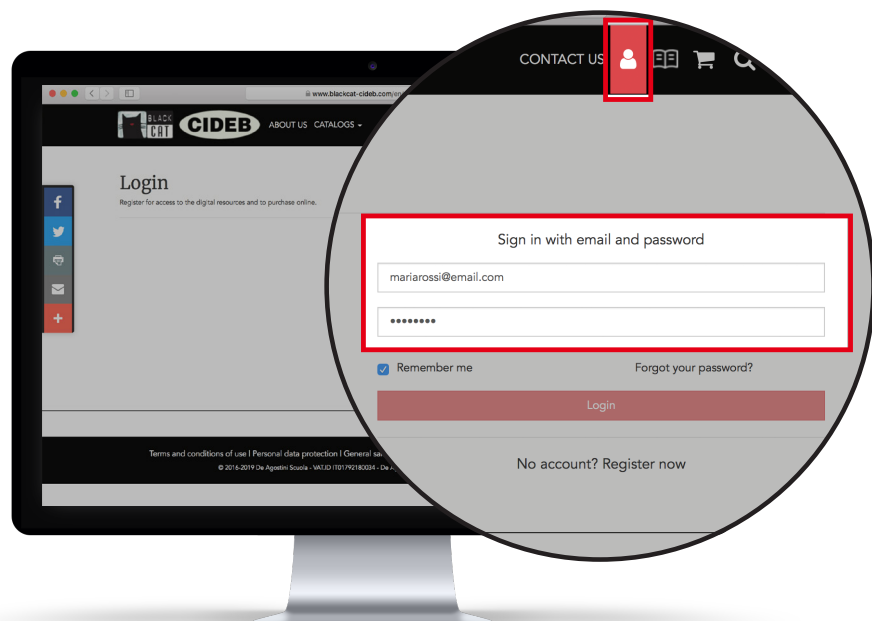
## WHAT DOES EREADERS OFFER?

For students:

◊   Digital versions of progressive readings with:
   • Integrated audio synchronised to the text.
   • The option to change the fonts for increased readability.
   • Interactive exercises with auto correct.
   • Separate audiobook for listening with an audio player, even offline.

◊   Your readings always with you:
   • With eReaders it is possible to start reading on a tablet and continue on a smartphone or the computer; even the exercises are always synchronised, so in just a moment, you can resume from where you left off, on any device and without ever losing any answers.

◊   The Statistics section:
   • The results of the exercises are saved and computed into statistics: making it possible to monitor one's progress across each title and each level, and to track one's progress over time.

For teachers:

◊   All the student features.

◊   Plus, additional support for managing the classroom:
   • Teachers can create their own virtual classroom and follow the progress of individual students, and the whole class.

# HOW TO ACCESS EREADERS

**1.** First go to the Black Cat CIDEB website: blackcat-cideb.com and log in using your password, or create a new teacher account. If you like, you can also use your DeA Scuola account.

**2.** Go to your profile page: here you can edit your details, view your orders, access the teacher resources that complement the books, and activate the digital version of eReaders Web.

# HOW TO ACTIVATE THE DIGITAL EREADERS WEB VERSION OF A BOOK

**1.** Check the eReaders icon is at the back of the book.

**2.** To enable the digital content, under the "Activate book" section, insert the unique code printed inside the book cover. Please note: the unique code must be entered without spaces and include a dash (example: DEA-XXXXXXX).
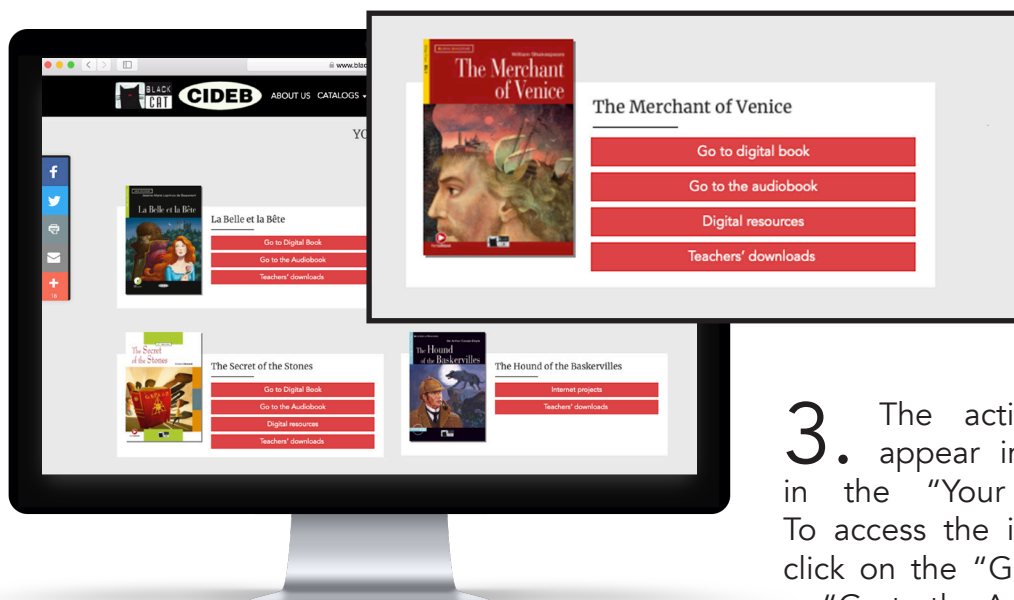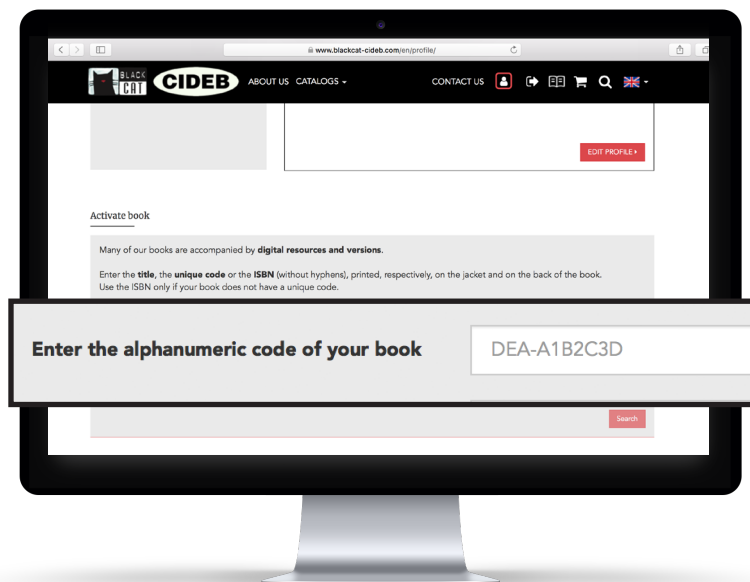
**3.** The activated books will appear immediately below, in the "Your books" section. To access the interactive content, click on the "Go to Digital Book" or "Go to the Audiobook" button.

# HOW TO ACTIVATE THE EREADERS APP VERSION OF A BOOK

After activating your books on blackcat-cideb.com, you can view them on the eReaders app as well.

1. Download the app from Google Play Store or App Store.

   Download on the App Store   GET IT ON Google Play

2. Sign in with the same account you use on blackcat-cideb.com.

3. Select "Library" in the menu on the right and click on "Cloud".

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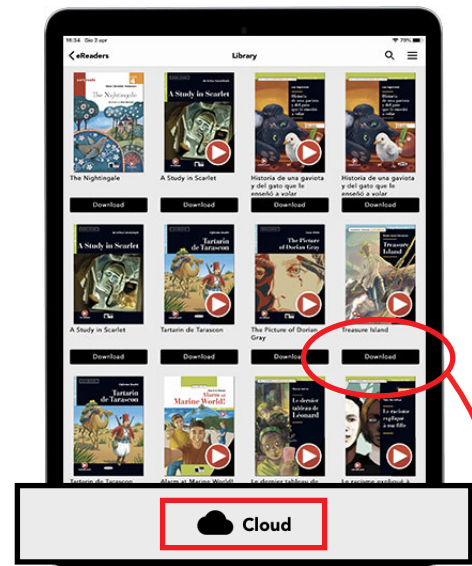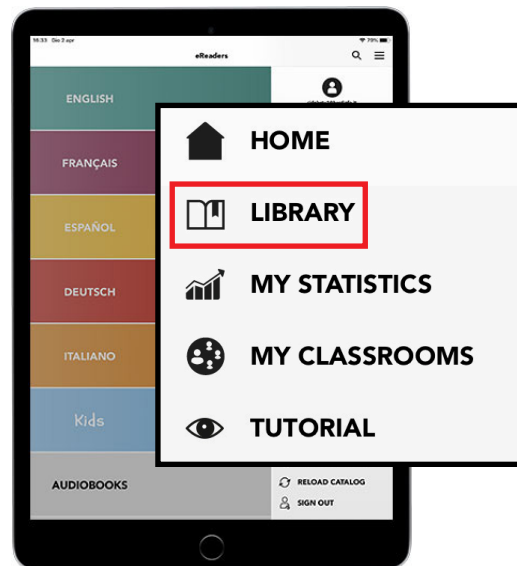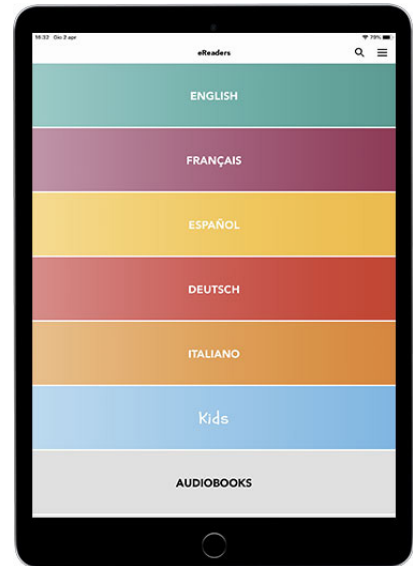
4. Select the book and download it to your device. Now it will always be available to you, even offline.

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## eReaders WEB

As soon as you access eReaders Web, you enter the "My books" section. Here are all the contents that you activated by code, or that you purchased from the app (the web and app versions synchronise automatically). For each title you will see a book and an audiobook, the latter has a distinctive red "play" button on the cover.
The books and audiobooks will open in a separate window, allowing you to view multiple books simultaneously.
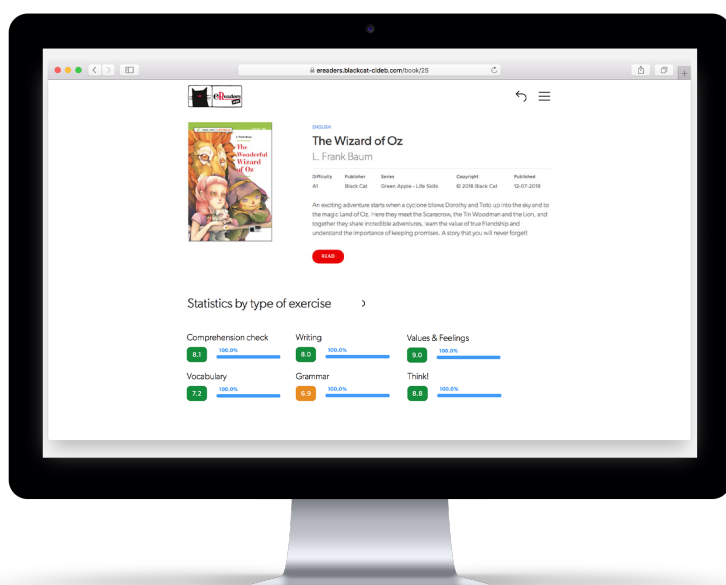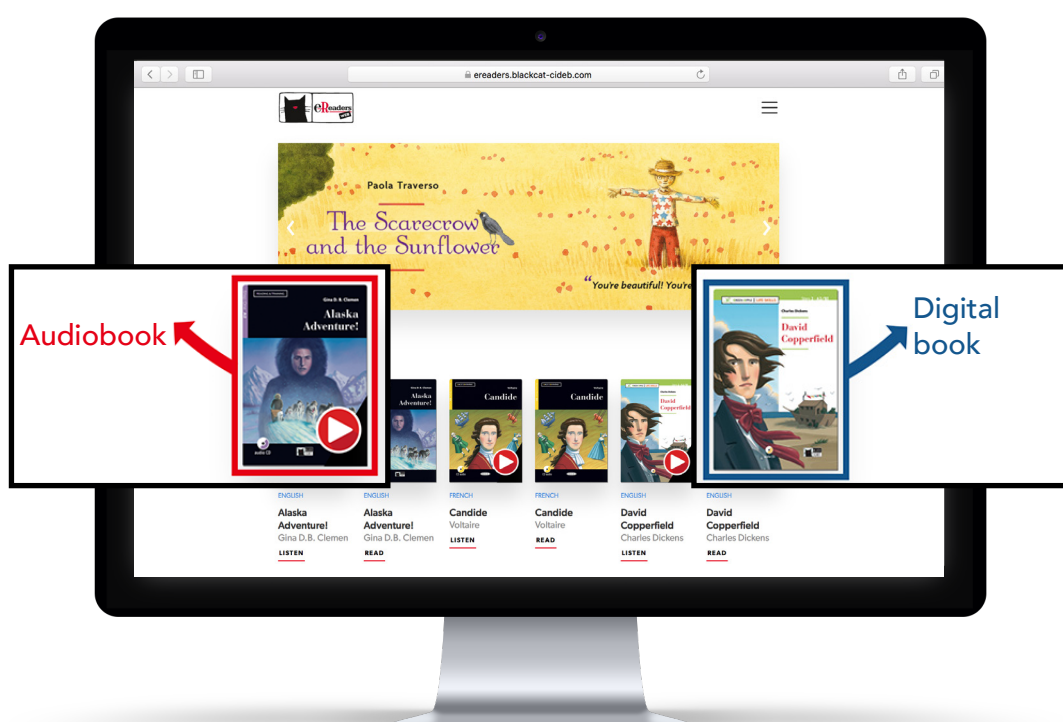


Clicking on each book or audiobook will enable you to view a content description, and select which one to open and read/listen to. Furthermore, after completing the first exercises, students will see their statistics below the book description.
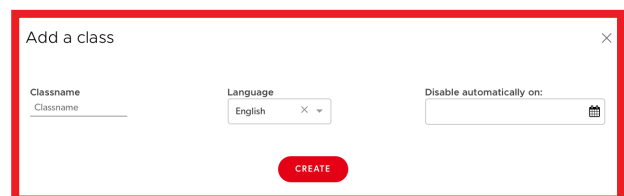
# HOW TO CREATE A VIRTUAL CLASS

The virtual class enables you to follow your students' progress; in fact, the results of the exercises they completed can be collected and converted into statistics, so you can monitor the class' progress against each book selected. If you like, you can create multiple virtual classes, a function that is useful if, for example, you follow groups of students in different sections or levels.
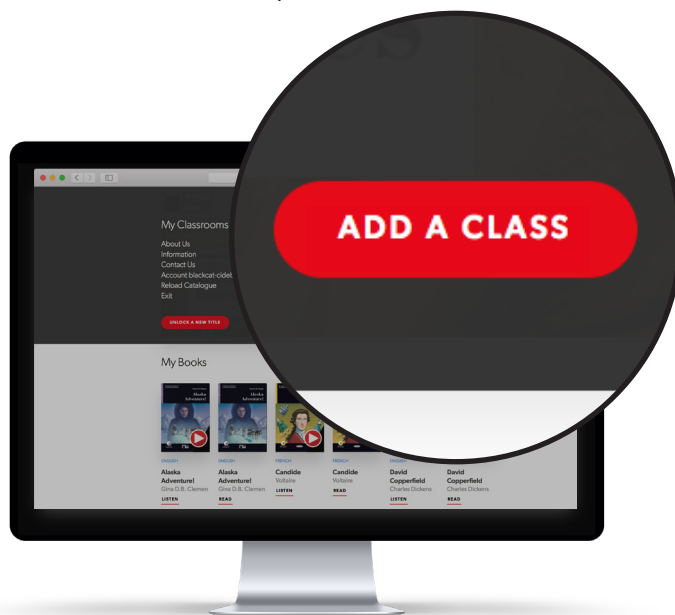
**1.** In eReaders Web, click on the menu at the top right, then on the red button "ADD A CLASS".

**2.** Choose the name, language and the closing date of the class (after which date, the results of the completed student exercises will no longer be accepted by the system for computing the statistics), then click "CREATE".
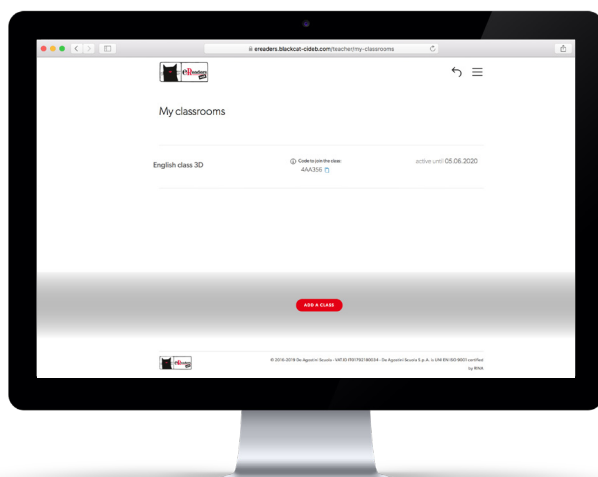
**3.** Once the class is created, you will find yourself in the "My classrooms" section (an area you can access whenever you want by clicking the menu button, then "My classrooms").

**4.** Now, you need to add the book or books you will be working on. You can also link the books later. Remember to do this before your students start the exercises.

**5.** To add the books click on the name of the class you created, then click "MODIFY BOOK LIST".
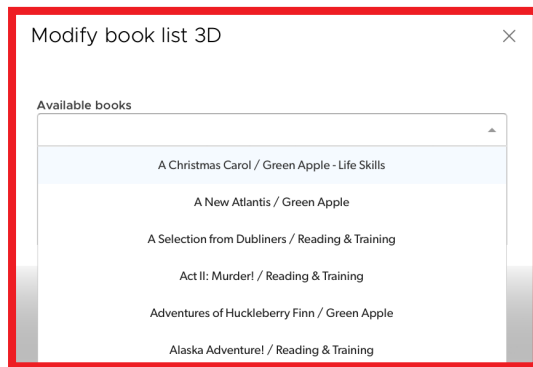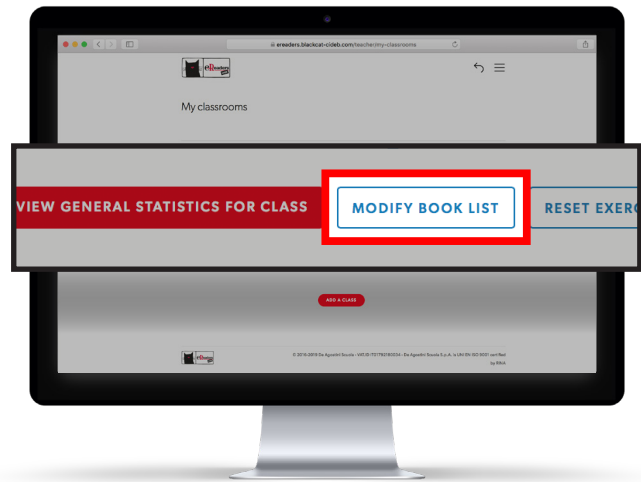


**6.** Select one or more titles amongst those available (the titles you have previously activated, which appear under "My books"). To confirm, click "EDIT". If you do not find the title you are interested in, go back to the "My books" page to ensure it is there.

**7.** Now you just need to tell your students the "Code to join the class" via email, or verbally, to enable them to join.

**8.** To participate, students must create an account and access eReaders Web, click on the menu, then on "My Classrooms", and finally enter the code you advised in the space provided.
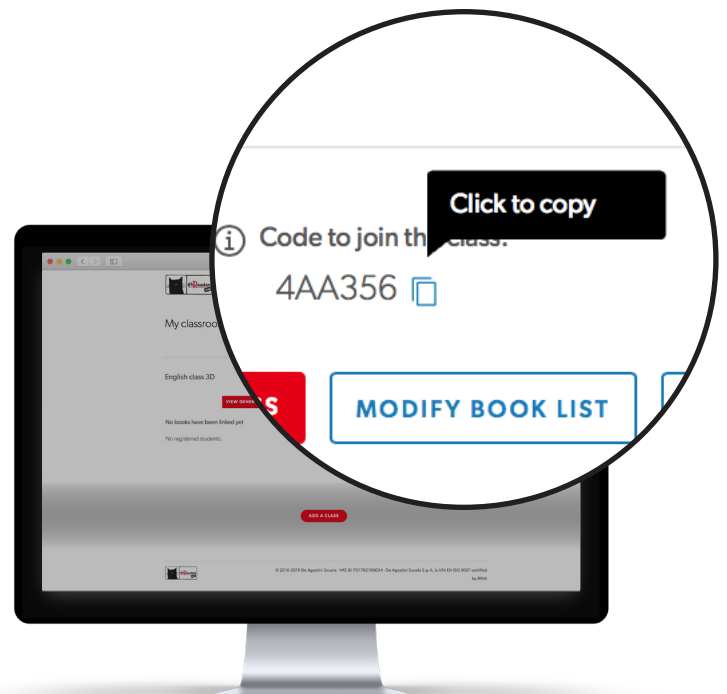
# HOW TO REVIEW THE CLASS STATISTICS

Now that you've created a class and your students have joined, it's time to get down to business.

When students start working through the exercises, you can follow their progress in real time on eReaders Web. The results of the exercises are sent to the virtual class and converted into statistics: you will therefore be able to monitor students' progress, see their strongest subjects, and what skills need strengthening. Additionally, you can see the percentage of completed exercises for each book.



1. In eReaders Web, click on the menu button, then on "My classrooms".

2. Select the class you are interested in and click on "View general statistics for class".
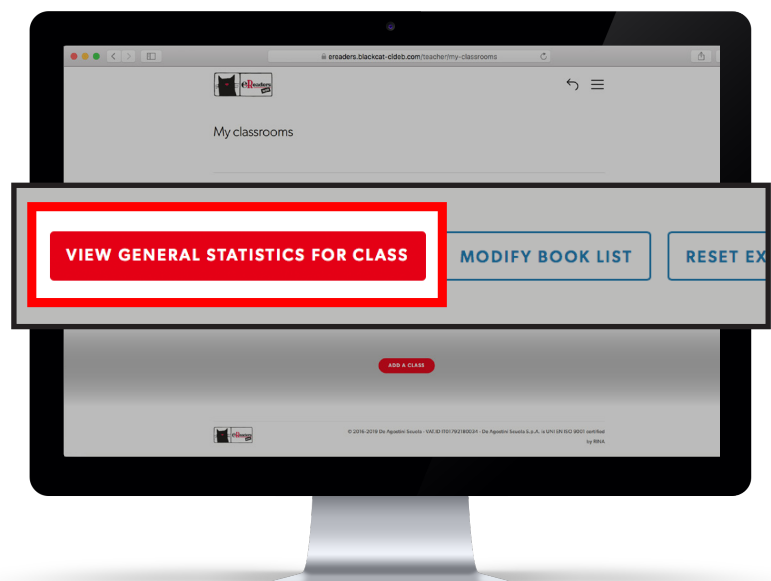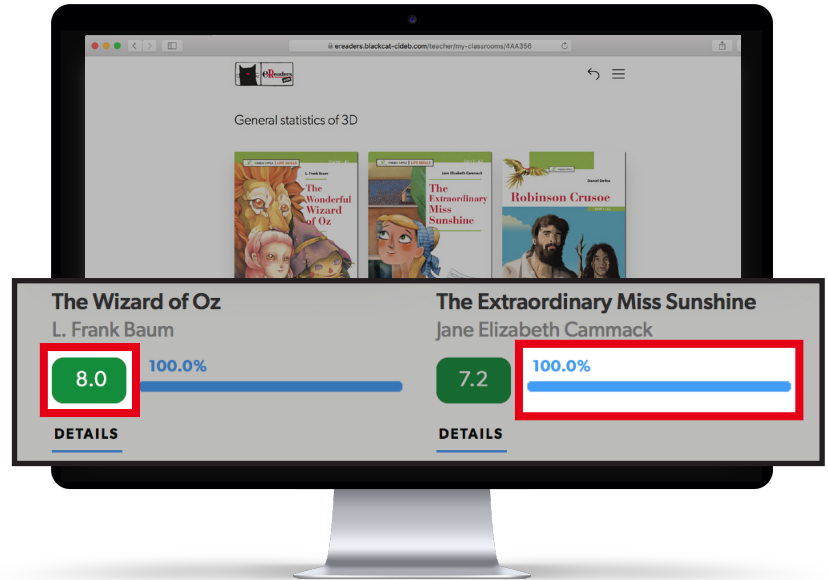
# General statistics by class

The landing page will display the general statistics, which reflect the comprehensive performance of the entire class.

At the top, you will see the book covers that are linked to the class. Below which, each one reports the statistics for that specific title, based on each student's average result.

The number on the left is the score based on the average results of the exercises completed by the class.

Next to it, the progress bar indicates the percentage of exercises performed by the class for that title.



## General statistics by level and competence
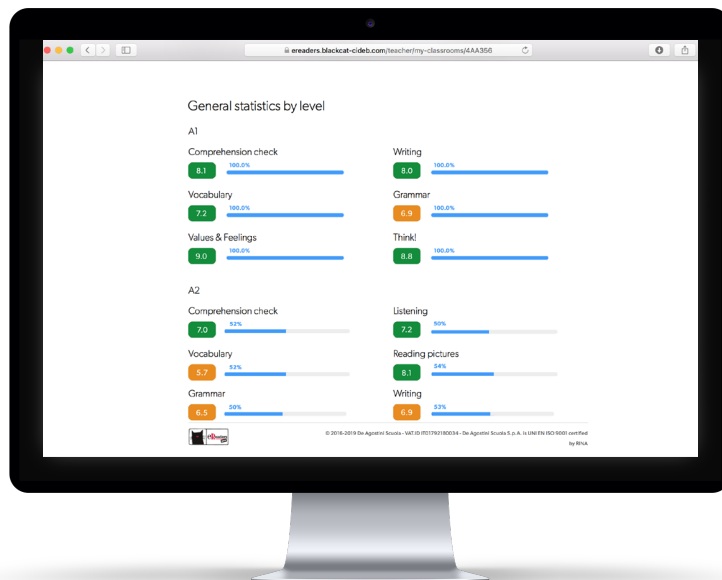


Further below, in the "General statistics by level" section, you will see the data divided by level and competence (i.e. comprehension, listening, vocabulary, grammar...), always relative to the class.

The scores you see in this section are based on the result of all the books linked to the class for a specific level.
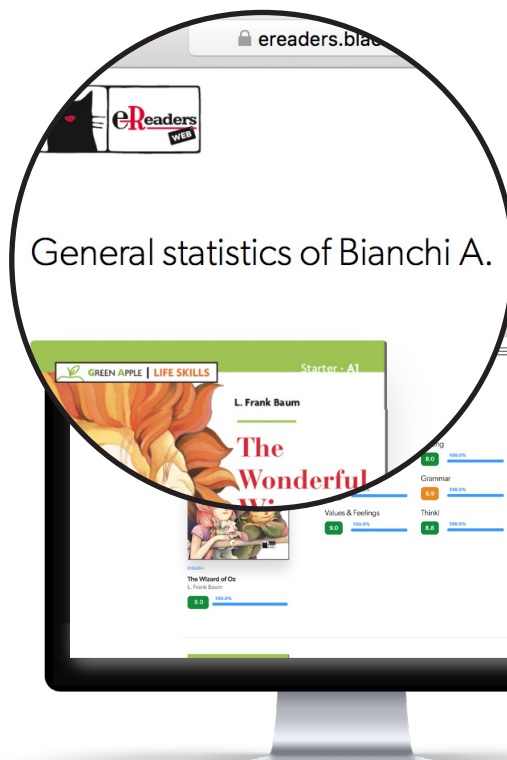
## Statistics per book

To consult the statistics of a specific book in detail, click on the cover of the title you are interested in.
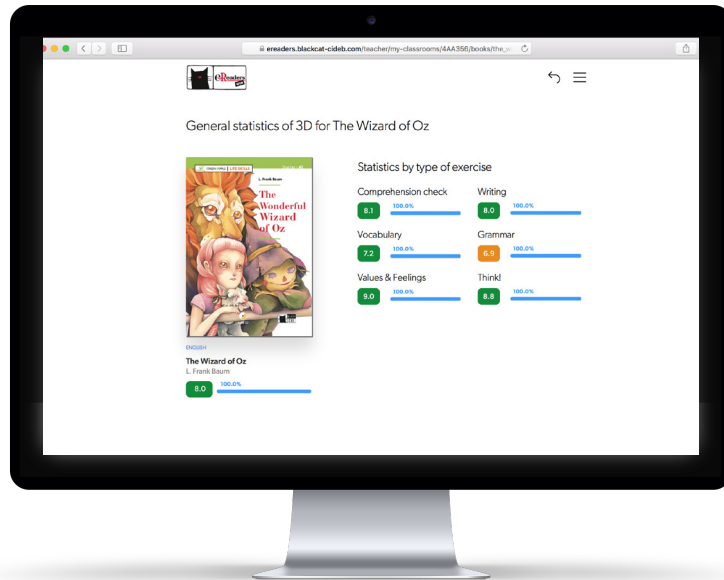


## Statistics per student

If you like, you can also view statistics for individual students.



1. From the menu, go back to the "My classrooms" section.

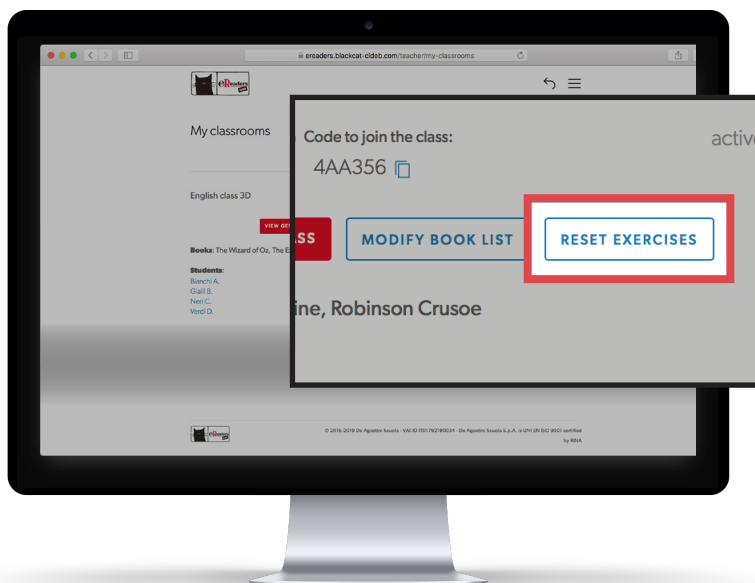2. Click on the class and then on the student's name.

## HOW TO RESET AN EXERCISE

The completed exercises in eReaders Web are saved and linked to the students' accounts, making them always available, should you decide to continue reading at a later time or on another device.

Furthermore, once the exercises are completed and saved by the students in a class, they cannot be modified to avoid distorting the results and the data on which the statistics are based.

However, mistakes can be made, like accidentally saving the answers of an exercise before signing off on them.

Should this happen to one of your students, they just need to request you make the exercise available again, in the specific section of eReaders Web.





1. In eReaders Web, click on the menu button, then on "My classrooms".

2. Now select the class you are interested in and click on the "Reset exercises" button.

**3.** Select the book (1), the chapter (2), and the exercise to be reset (3), then the student(s) (4) to carry out the action, finally click "Confirm" (5).
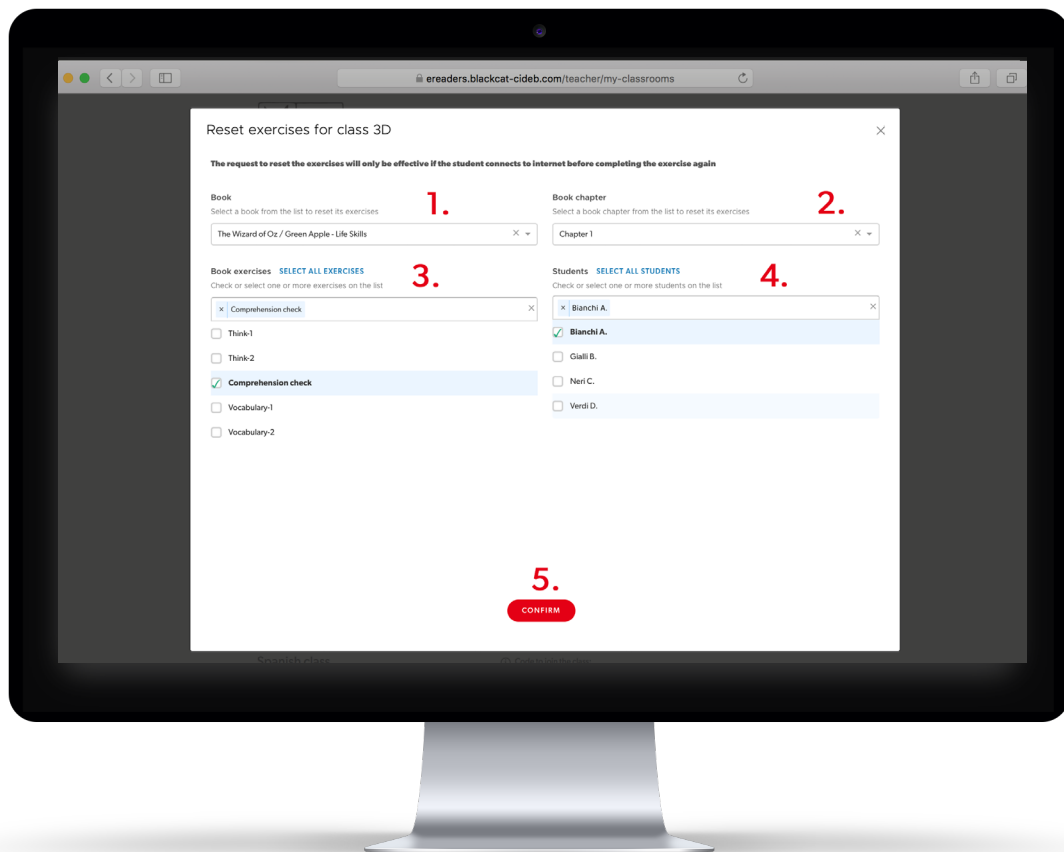


**4.** Check you have entered the correct data and click on the confirmation button.

**5.** The exercise is now reset correctly and the student can do it again. It is important the student is connected to the network before performing the exercise again, otherwise the exercise cannot be reset.