WE MAKE WRITING EXCITING!
We are the Ministry of Stories. Co-founded by author Nick Hornby in 2010, we help young people in east London discover their confidence, imagination and potential through the power of writing.

We work in partnership with schools in Hackney, Tower Hamlets and Islington to help get students buzzing about learning.

All of our programmes are led by professional writers: from poets to playwrights, spoken word artists to authors.

What we offer:

• Bespoke projects designed for schools in response to your needs
• Inspiring one-off workshops and set projects
• Impactful teacher CPD

Our work is proven to:

• Raise attainment
• Engage even the most reluctant of writers
• Support mental health and wellbeing
• Deliver on school improvement priorities
• Provide young people with broad cultural and creative experiences

Children leave our projects as confident writers, motivated learners and published authors.

“I think my writing has improved because my teacher says my writing is better than his.”

Umaymah, age 9
“Ministry of Stories has been instrumental in getting reluctant writers excited about putting pencil to paper.”

Assistant Headteacher, St Saviour's Primary (Outstanding School)

100% of teachers said the projects had improved their students’ writing

99% of students reported enjoying taking part in a project

90% of students said they had created something they were proud of

100% of teachers said that the CPD had a positive impact on their teaching
**WHAT WE OFFER**

**Bespoke Projects**

We’ll work with you to set a brief, then design and deliver a bespoke writer-led project that responds to your needs. Our projects bring topics to life and transform classrooms into creative spaces.

We work with targeted learners, whole class groups or the entire school. Our projects can be delivered in an intensive block or regular sessions throughout the term.

Example outcomes include:

- Professionally designed topic-based anthologies
- Delivering powerful speeches at prominent venues
- Schoolwide poetry slam performances
- Professionally designed and printed school newspapers

Costs: £300 per day / £150 per half-day. Projects can be scaled to the size of your budget.

**One-off Workshops**

Our one-off workshops offer a blast of energy and inspiration. We can host a whole class at our unique writing centre in Hoxton.

Workshops include:

- Storymaking
- Gothic Fiction
- Comic Books
- Goodnight Stories for Rebel Girls

£300 for a 2-hour session for up to 30 students.

**Teacher CPD**

Our CPD sessions are interactive and practical, offering techniques and approaches that build teacher confidence, empowering them to lead creative writing projects in the classroom.

£300 per session

“Ministry of Stories has helped me to build my confidence and give me a voice. Also it helped me come out of my comfort zone.”

*Bridge Academy student*
It has been a fantastic experience to work alongside the team from Ministry of Stories. The partnership has so many benefits. There is of course the great experience the children have and the writing outcomes they produce. But more than that, the lasting legacy of the project is from the opportunity our teachers get to learn and develop their own skills by working alongside Ministry’s professional writers. The project has most definitely given the school an energy boost, enthusing many more children and staff than those directly involved in the project.

Paul Jackson, Headteacher, Manorfield Primary
(Outstanding School)