

Read stories. Build empathy. Make a better world.

CPD training for schools and public libraries

3 November, 12:30-3:30 and **4 November, 9:30-12:30**
 Led by founders **Miranda McKearney OBE** and **Sarah Mears MBE**
 Suitable for **senior leaders, teachers and public library staff**

Purpose

- To build the knowledge and confidence of delegates to develop empathy at a time when it is so badly needed;
- To focus on empathy's role longer term in your setting;
- To lay the foundations for delegates' empathy strategies and practices, working towards major participation in Empathy Day on 9 June 2022.

You will learn about

- The different elements of empathy and its importance in learning;
- The research showing how books and book-talk can build empathy;
- Examples of empathy strategies in schools and libraries;
- Which books are good for empathy-focused work, and why;
- The opportunities presented by Empathy Day.

Agenda for Day 1, 3 November, 12:30-3:30

Welcome, introductions
What empathy is, and isn't
Teaching about empathy: case study school
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How reading builds empathy - research briefing
Developing empathy skills while using books part 1 - talking and listening
Wrap up/ tasks in-between training sessions

Agenda for Day 2, 4 November, 9:30-12:30

Welcome and feedback
Case study library
Building a culture of empathy in your organisation, and with your pupils and community
Developing empathy skills while using books part 2: creative and immersive activities to build the skills of perspective taking and pro-social attitudes
BREAK
Looking forward to Empathy Day 2022
Workshop on action plans
Next steps and training evaluation