

Homework Help Club Volunteer Assistant at Redbridge Libraries

Our Homework Help Clubs encourage children to bring their school's homework to the library and use all the resources available there to complete it.

These clubs offer a wide variety of resources such as books, computers and links to study support websites that children can use to complete their coursework. The clubs do not provide tutoring but act as a hub of relevant resources for school children. You will help the children to find the information they are looking for in an effective way.

When you are not busy with the children then you will spend your hour looking on our computers at resources that may help the children, as well as online resources that can be recommended to the children, showing them how to access Redbridge Libraries Online Resources. We will show you this when we train you.

Who you are

- You are IT literate and understand how important Online Learning is
- You are confident at using technology with at least intermediate level IT skills
- You are willing to use Redbridge Libraries Online Resources and recommend these
- You engage well with others and are passionate about books, reading and libraries
- You are responsible and dependable and like to learn new skills
- Warm and friendly with an approachable personality, helping children with your knowledge and clear communication skills
- You have a good command of written and spoken English and possibly a community language
- You are literate and have a genuine enjoyment for reading and learning
- You are aged 14 or over

As a Homework Help Club Volunteer Assistant you will:

- Set up a creative learning space in the library where the activity takes place
- Prepare and organise study and reference resources for the children
- Welcome children as they arrive making sure that they feel at ease
- Show children how to find appropriate book resources within the library to complete their homework
- Support children to access relevant online resources by using the library's public computers
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- Be willing to become knowledgeable and experienced in using Redbridge Libraries' own online resources e.g Britannica Student and Britannica Junior, Oxford English Dictionary etc.
- Help clear the space when the club finishes

Why you should volunteer with Redbridge Libraries

- You will increase your confidence dealing with children in a professional setting
- You will learn skills around customer care, confidentiality and health and safety

- Personal satisfaction of helping a young person realise their potential
- You will gain valuable experience for your CV and a reference if you volunteer regularly with us

Where and when you would be volunteering

- You will volunteer at a Redbridge Library running a homework help club. Please ask staff for details of the programme running in your chosen branch.
- These clubs run weekly, term time only, for one or two hours.
- Volunteers will be required for at least 30 minutes before and after each session for set up and clear up
- All volunteers are placed initially on a one-month trial basis. Volunteers an activities are reviewed every six months.