**Role Profile**

**Reading Hack Volunteer**

The Reading Hack Volunteer Role is aimed at young people aged 14 – 19 years. In this Volunteer Role you will support, promote, encourage and deliver reading and family fun activities to children and young people in Bedford Borough Libraries.

### What will I be doing?

- Help library staff plan, prepare and deliver Holiday and Family Fun activities for children and young people
- Help library staff set up and deliver children’s activities eg Lego Club, Knitting Club, Code Club
- Participate in national initiatives e.g. Summer Reading Challenge
- Help library staff with displays and stock promotions in the children’s/teen library
- Help library staff shelve library stock accurately and assist in keeping library shelves in good order
- Help library staff develop ideas to encourage young people to read and use the library

### What skills do I need?

- Enjoy books, reading and libraries
- Good listening and communication skills
- Likes organising and promoting activities and events
- Enthusiastic about working with children and other young people
- Friendly, helpful and reliable

### When will I be needed?

Saturdays, school holidays, after school at times to be agreed

### Location

Bedford Central Library, Kempston, Putnoe, Bromham and Wootton Libraries

### What will I gain from this role?

- Experience of working with and promoting books and reading materials
- Experience of working with children and families
- Experience of working in a library
- Experience of being in a work environment and the opportunity to develop confidence and social skills
- Opportunity to help shape the way we deliver activities and events for children and young people
- Opportunity to make new friends
- Opportunity to enter competitions, create hacks and share your reading with other young people via the Reading Hack website www.readinghack.org.uk