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learn more about them.

Holding the DS vertically pages are displayed both sides with a swipe of the stylus (or your finger) left to right to turn the page.

It's all fairly simple and you can get about reading the book you've chosen. Font sizes can be changed for those who can't be bothered to grab their glasses, but there are only two options: large and small.

Small gives you 12 lines to a page with around four words to a line, while large gives you 9 lines to a page with around two to three words on a line. Needless to say it makes books very long. 20,000 leagues under the sea in the large font is 4031 pages while something like Hamlet a mere 1127 pages, this makes for a very difficult read because you don't really get a sense of what's coming next as stage notes cover each page.

With so many pages to read you can add up to three bookmarks so you can save your place for later, and the software does remember where you are when you shut the console down.

Of course this being Nintendo, just allowing you to read your book in silence is a silly idea, and so for some bizarre reason you can choose your reading time to be accompanied by cheesy instrumental music - very random.

## VERDICT

Anything that gets children into reading more is a good thing in my mind and the notion that you can cram 100 classics into your DS an even better one.

However where the DS suffers is that the screens (although two of them) are just too small to get a sense of where you are going in a book. It's nice to be able to see a block of text in front of you and take it in, and while the DS gives you the words to read there is no personality. You are so busy swiping your stylus that you lose the

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## At a glance

### What is it?

100 books in your DS

### Good

Plenty of books to choose from, easy to select and turn pages

### Bad

Small screens make it hard to read

### Verdict

A nice idea, but the atmosphere of the book is completely lost

**Price** £20

**Our score**

**7/10**

**Your score**

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<http://www.pocket-lint.com/review/3746/100-classic-book-collection-ds>

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