



Building Learning Power



We are learning to learn



What is Building Learning Power?

Building Learning Power is all about using learning muscles in our brains to help us learn in and out of school.

There are 4 BLP superheroes who each have different learning muscles.



The 4 Learning Superheroes



Enjoying the feeling of learning
just like *Rubin Resilience*.

Learning with and from others just like
Ruby Relationships.

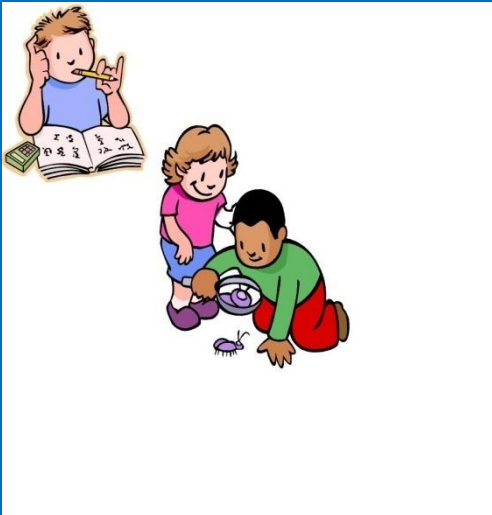
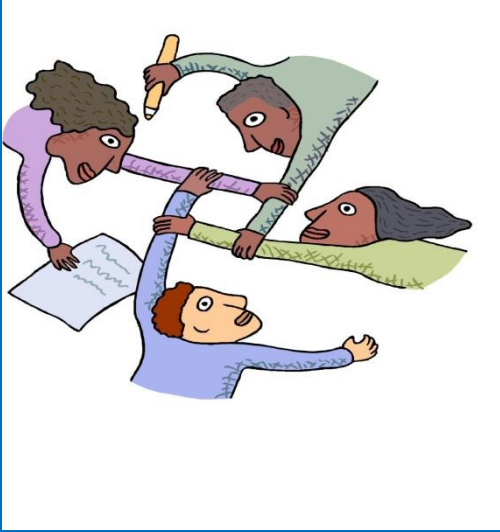


Using many ways of thinking just like
Ricky Resourceful.

Taking charge of your learning just
like *Rhianna Reflective*.



Ruby Relationships



Which learning muscle are we focusing on this week?



Listening and empathy

What do you need to do to
be a good listener?



What is empathy?



To understand and share the feelings of others

Read the story about Callum.



What does it teach you about listening?

Everyone liked Callum. He had lots of friends because:

- he always got on well with people
- he always made sure that no-one was left out of
- he played games in the playground and he was happy to share things with others.

His teachers liked him because they saw how kind he was and because he was always interested in what was going on in school.

But...there was one thing that Callum was not very good at, and sometimes that could cause a lot of trouble! I'll tell you about something that happened because of this.



One Monday morning, the headteacher came into the classroom and asked everyone to stop what they were doing because she had something to tell them. People put down their pencils and their books, or they looked up from the carpet where they had been learning - everyone looked at the headteacher except Callum. Callum was in the book corner and he just went on reading his book.

"I just want to tell you about something very special that's happening tomorrow," Mrs Blake said. "We are having a party of visitors coming to look around the School so I'd like you all to dress up very smartly tomorrow - nice clean sweatshirts, tidy hair - you know what to do."



When Callum's mum collected him from school, on the way home they always talked about what they had been doing and Callum's mum always

asked Callum if there were any messages.

"Yes," said Callum, "Um, Mrs Blake came in."

"Yes," said mum, "and what did she say?"

"Well, um, oh! I remember. She said some visitors are coming tomorrow. Yes, that's it.

Some visitors are

coming tomorrow and we're having a party and we have to dress up. Can I wear my pirate costume?"

"That sounds exciting," said mum, "a fancy dress party.

Yes, I think your pirate costume will be very good."

What do you think happened next?



All the way home mum talked about how important it was to be a good listener, but Callum was quite sure he'd try very hard not to be a poor listener again. He'd felt rather silly being the only pirate in school!

What do you learn about listening and empathy from the following pictures?

