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This Learner's Book takes you through Stage 5 of the Cambridge Primary curriculum. It contains nine units of lessons and activities to help you improve your reading, writing, speaking and listening skills. This book covers all the skills you need to develop in Stage 5.

Each term has two long units and one shorter one. Three units focus on fiction, three on nonfiction and three on poetry and plays. Each unit has a theme covering all sort of interesting topics. We hope you enjoy the variety and learn more about language and the different ways we express ourselves for different purposes.

These icons will show you how you're going to work:

- have a discussion
- do some reading
- do some writing
- role play, read out loud or do an oral activity
- AZ do a spelling activity

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We hope you enjoy the course and that it helps you to feel confident about responding to English, and using English in a variety of ways.