





What is The Library Project?

The Library Project is dedicated to improving children’s literacy worldwide. We believe that access to books is a critical part of a quality education and that every child should have the opportunity to read, learn, and build a better future.

Founded in 2006, The Library Project began by donating libraries to rural schools in China. Since then, our work has expanded to support schools, classrooms, families, and local communities where access to quality reading materials remains limited.

Our programs provide children with access to high-quality, age-appropriate books in their local language. We support teachers with training and practical tools, help families build reading habits at home, and work with local partners to create stronger reading environments for children.

The Library Project’s work is built around a simple belief: books open doors. When children have access to books, they gain more than reading materials. They gain opportunities to imagine, ask questions, build knowledge, and develop the confidence to learn.

Through Reading Rooms, Classroom Libraries, Book Donations, Children’s Literacy Bags, Literacy Programs, and Teacher Training, The Library Project works to ensure that children have the resources and support they need to become lifelong readers.

Our Programs in 2023

In 2023, The Library Project continued to support rural elementary education and expand access to books throughout China. Our programs focused on schools, classrooms, and homes where children had limited access to high-quality reading materials.

Throughout the year, The Library Project supported 70 rural elementary schools and reached 42,428 students. We established 403 STEM Classroom Libraries, 28 Reading Rooms, and completed 7 targeted Book Donations. Together, these programs placed 104,065 Chinese-language children's books into the hands of young readers.

STEM Classroom Libraries helped students explore science, technology, engineering, and mathematics through age-appropriate books that encouraged curiosity and critical thinking. Reading Rooms created dedicated spaces where children could read, learn, and explore new ideas. Book Donations strengthened school libraries with carefully selected books that supported both classroom learning and independent reading.

The Library Project also continued to support reading at home. In 2023, we distributed 2,299 Children's Literacy Bags directly to children, helping them build small personal libraries and encouraging reading beyond the classroom.

Teacher support remained central to our work. In addition to providing in-person training at every school receiving a library donation, The Library Project held a regional teacher training summit in Guangdong in collaboration with the local government and continued monthly online training sessions led by children's literacy experts.



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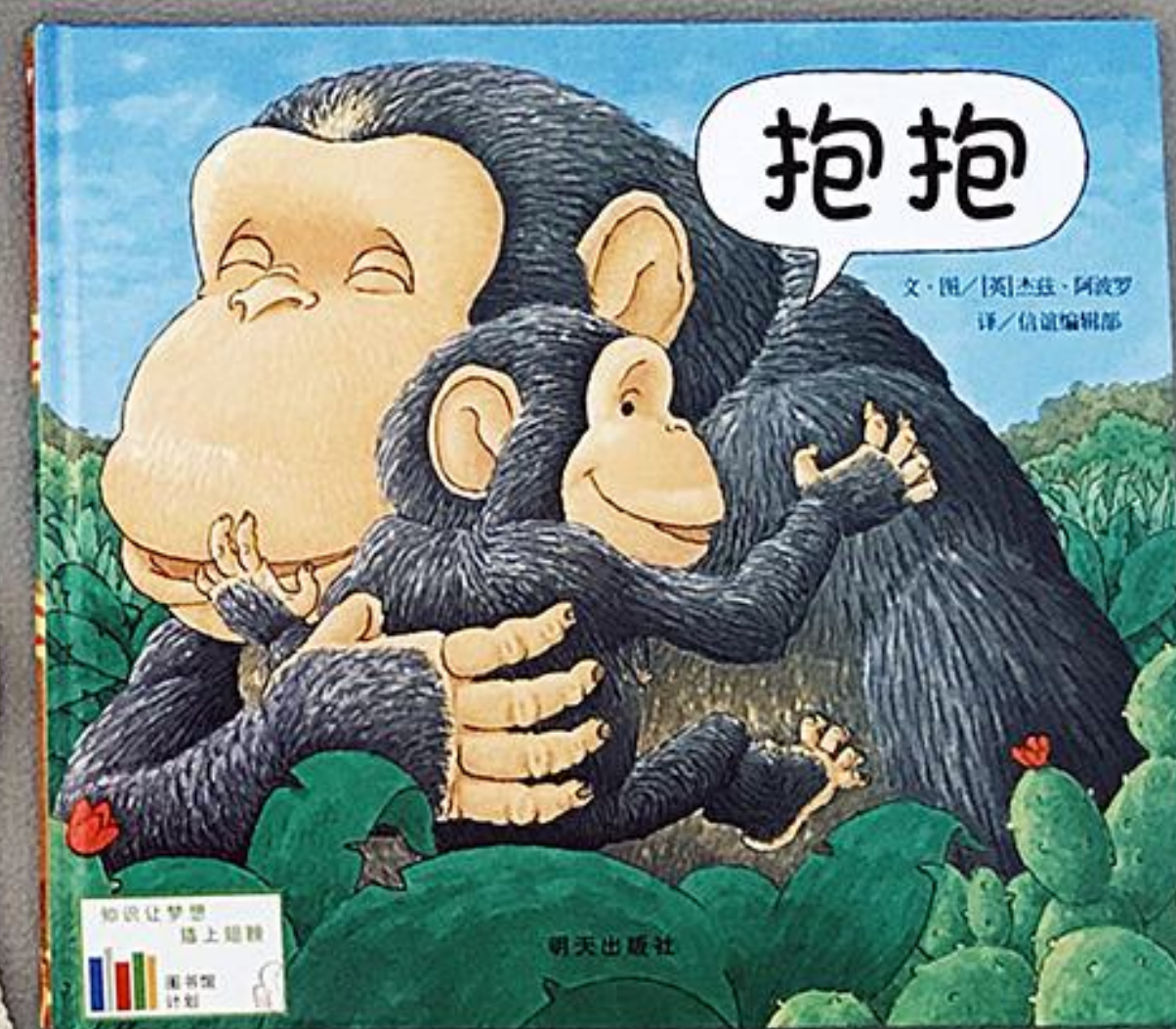
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Children's Books

Children's books are at the center of The Library Project's work. In 2023, we donated 104,065 Chinese-language children's books to rural elementary schools through STEM Classroom Libraries, Reading Rooms, Book Donations, and Children's Literacy Bags.

Each book collection was carefully selected to support children's reading development, curiosity, and love of learning. We provided high-quality, age-appropriate books in the local language so students could read with confidence and understanding. These books supported classroom learning, independent reading, and family reading at home.

The Library Project's 2023 book donations included materials that encouraged exploration, creativity, and discovery. STEM-focused books played an important role in the year's programs, helping students build knowledge in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics while strengthening their reading skills.

We believe children are more likely to become lifelong readers when they have access to books that are engaging, relevant, and meaningful. By placing books directly into schools, classrooms, and homes, The Library Project helped 42,428 children read more often, discover new interests, and build stronger foundations for learning.



Literacy Programs

The Library Project's literacy programs help children build stronger reading habits and develop a lifelong love of reading. Access to books is essential, but children also need encouragement, guidance, and opportunities to read regularly.

In 2023, our literacy work supported students in schools, classrooms, and homes. Reading Rooms provided dedicated spaces where students could explore books and participate in reading activities. STEM Classroom Libraries brought books directly into classrooms, making reading more accessible during the school day.

The Library Project also distributed 2,299 Children's Literacy Bags directly to children. These take-home resources helped young readers build personal libraries and encouraged families to make reading part of daily life beyond school.

Our literacy programs focus on building reading habits over time. We want children to see books not only as school materials, but as sources of knowledge, imagination, confidence, and joy.

Through literacy programs in schools, classrooms, and homes, The Library Project helped children develop the motivation and opportunity to read more often.



Teacher Training

Teachers play a critical role in helping children become confident readers. A library filled with books is powerful, but its impact depends on how often those books are used and how well they are integrated into daily learning.

In 2023, The Library Project continued to make teacher training a core part of every library donation. Each school that received a Reading Room, Classroom Library, or Book Donation also received in-person training on the day of the donation. These trainings helped teachers understand how to organize books, manage library resources, and encourage students to read regularly.

The Library Project also conducted a regional teacher training summit in Guangdong in collaboration with the local government. This summit provided educators with additional support, practical strategies, and guidance for strengthening children's reading engagement.

Beyond in-person training, The Library Project continued monthly online teacher training sessions led by experts in children's literacy. These sessions supported the ongoing professional growth of teachers and helped them use books more effectively in the classroom.

By investing in teachers, The Library Project helps ensure that libraries, classroom book collections, and book donations have lasting impact beyond the initial donation.

