



Introduction to the StepsWeb Online Programme



Dear Parents/Caregivers

Your child is working on the **StepsWeb** programme at school. This is a specialist literacy programme which teaches reading, spelling, vocabulary and comprehension.

Because it is online, students can access it anywhere they have internet access on a compatible device. It operates through your web browser (Chrome or Safari only), and can be used on iPads, tablets and Chromebooks, as well as on a Windows or Mac computer.

From time to time we will be allocating StepsWeb homework to your child, and access to the programme will be needed.

StepsWeb can be accessed at <https://stepsweb.com/>

Your child's login details are below:

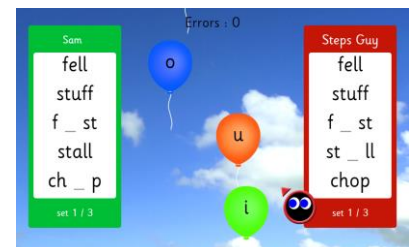
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Steps (including StepsWeb) is the only major NZ literacy software programme. It was designed and created in Christchurch and it is currently being used in over 800 NZ schools, and a growing number abroad.

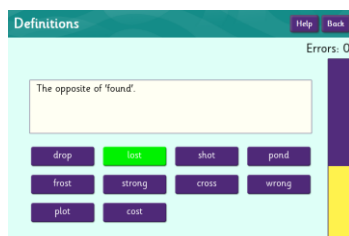
As well as using the courses and existing wordlists on Steps, you can enter your own words, sentences and definitions. This can be done in English, Māori, Pasifika languages – or any text-based language.



The programme can be used by all ages from five to adult. Steps can be used for extension learners, as well as for those who need extra help. It can cover every level right up to university level!

There is also a lot of supporting information (including teaching videos) on the website, including a parent section: <http://www.learningstaircase.co.nz/parents/>.

The Learning Staircase also retails a range of other resources, including software programmes for memory, comprehension, and assessment. They provide free technical and educational support for all users.



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