

PLAY READING GROUP

The idea behind the play reading group is to read in one session a complete play obtained from the local library. Those attending each session take parts in turn, usually changing over at the beginning of the act. Thus at any one time, depending on the number of participants, some are reading and some are listening, every one sitting comfortably. There is no acting involved though you are free to use accents if you wish and of course to put expression in your voice (acting with the voice if you will).

The group will meet in my house to host up to 12 people. There are now 22 members so we will read in two groups normally on the second and third Mondays in the month in the afternoon at 2 pm. Members can book in for either reading. Allow 3 hours plus time for a cup of tea.

The costs are minimal: £8.00 hire charges divided by those present plus contributions to tea and biscuits so probably around £2 per head.

At the end of each reading the play for the next month will be announced and members can give their ideas of what they would like to read after that, though we are limited to what Gloucester Libraries can offer. They have a stock of over 1000 plays but many are out on loan at any one time.

Why not join?