

Data Protection and Privacy

The University of Nottingham may wish to quote your children's stories, submitted to us within the **Learning the Landscape through Language** project for its REF2021¹ evidence collection. We require this information as part of our REF return. The story may be used within the narrative of an impact case study (either directly quoted or summarised) and it is intended that the case study will be made publically available after the REF assessment. We may also wish to publish your children's stories on our website: www.learningthroughlanguage.co.uk, or on an associated University website.

What does this mean in practice?

We may wish to quote your child's story in our impact case study or on our website. Neither yours nor your children's personal data (name, birthdate, email address, telephone number, school) will normally be quoted in the case study, but may be passed to Research England as a requirement of the REF assessment. The confidentiality arrangements for all those involved in the REF assessment can be found on pages 69-70 of the REF2021 [Guidance on Submission](#) and Annex E, pages 101-103 of the REF2021 [Panel Criteria and Working Methods](#). We may retain your personal data for a maximum of three years from the receipt of this form.

Data storage

All supporting statements/testimonials will be stored securely on UoN systems with visibility restricted to those who need to view the document to be able to carry out their role. Your children's anonymized stories may be retained indefinitely.

If you wish to change any of the details on this form or wish to delete your details then please contact: nameStudies@nottingham.ac.uk.

¹ The Research Excellence Framework (REF) is the system used by the four UK higher education funding bodies to assess research quality in UK universities. The results of the REF assessment are used to provide accountability of public investment in research and to produce evidence of the benefits of this investment. The assessment is made up of three parts: Outputs, Impact and Environment. The assessment of Impact is carried out via narrative impact case studies for which Universities have to provide evidence of the impact of their research. Based on the results from the REF assessment, roughly £2 billion is allocated across UK Higher Education Institutions annually. Further information about REF, its purpose and how the assessment is carried out can be found at: <https://www.ref.ac.uk/about/what-is-the-ref/>