

## COLLECTION LEVEL

<b>Ref no</b>	GB3228.56
<b>Name of collection</b>	<b>Basic Education Through Storytelling (BEST) Archive</b>
<b>Date of donation</b>	2016
<b>Donor name</b>	Pat Kushnick
<b>Type of collection</b>	Donated collection (fonds)
<b>Dates of creation</b>	1980s
<b>Extent</b>	1 box
<b>Name of creator</b>	Pat Kushnick
<b>Archival history</b>	Donated by Pat Kushnick, whom was part of the project, collected the enclosed material and brought it to the centre in 2016
<b>Administrative history</b>	<p>Basic Education Through Storytelling (BEST) was a project, set up in Manchester from 1984 that encouraged parents to read to their children and return to education. The project loaned books that were anti-racist, anti-sexist, and anti-classist in nature. A small selection of the books were in Urdu for adults, along with bi-lingual children's stories in English and languages such as Urdu, Bengali, Hindi, Gujarati, Greek, Turkish, Gaelic and others. The project also provided up-to-date leaflets with information of local classes for adults.</p> <p>The project was based initially at the Greenheys Centre in the Moss Side area, however they did move to Moseley Road Centre in Fallowfield while repairs were carried out to the building at Greenheys Centre.</p> <p>Part of the project was a mobile resource, the Storybus, which parked at a number of locations in Manchester including: Hulme, Moss Side, Rusholme, and Longsight on a weekly basis. The aim was to reach people who did not generally have access to resources that the Storybus and its workers could offer.</p> <p>BEST also worked with unsupported voluntary groups such as the Creole Creche, Bangladeshi Women's Group, and the Hulme Girls' Project. Many other local groups also made use of the Project's resources, as well as the homeless community.</p>
<b>Scope and content</b>	This collection contains paper material consisting of governance, administrative and promotional material of Basic Education Through Storytelling (BEST). It includes a collection of governance records and photographs, as well as material on services, projects and outreach events. These also include reports and other administrative records.
<b>System of arrangement</b>	<p>The collection is arranged into four series:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Photographs</li> <li>2. Outreach events and promotional material</li> <li>3. Governance</li> <li>4. Event attendee lists</li> </ol> <p>No descriptions at item level</p>
<b>Related material</b>	Moss Side Parents Centre and Education Shop
<b>Conditions of use and access</b>	Open, some items closed
<b>Language/s</b>	English
<b>Finding aids</b>	n/a
<b>Key words</b>	Basic Education Through Storytelling, Race, Relations, Immigration, Ethnic Minorities, Children, Education, Moss Side, Manchester

SERIES LEVEL

Ref no	Name of series	Dates of creation	Extent	Name of creator	Background t	Scope and content	Detail o	Related material	Conditions of use and access	Language/s	Finding aids	Key words
GB3228.56/01	<b>Photographs</b>	1980s	1 file	n/a	n/a	Photographs of various events such as the Mina Book Bazaar, storybus and the community of Moss Side and Manchester	n/a	Moss Side Parents Centre and Education Shop	Open	English	n/a	Basic Education Through Storytelling, Race, Relations, Immigration, Ethnic Minorities, Children, Education, Moss Side, Manchester
GB3228.56/02	<b>Outreach events and promotional material</b>	1980s	1 file	n/a	n/a	Content includes books from the Storybus, leaflets and educational material given out to the public	n/a	Moss Side Parents Centre and Education Shop	Open	English; other languages	n/a	Basic Education Through Storytelling, Race, Relations, Immigration, Ethnic Minorities, Children, Education, Moss Side, Manchester
GB3228.56/03	<b>Governance</b>	1980s	1 file	n/a	n/a	Various administration documents including reports, minutes, correspondence for support of funding, course planning, contact information and more. All materials are paper-based	n/a	Moss Side Parents Centre and Education Shop	Open, material with address details, and support of funding white file are closed	English	n/a	Basic Education Through Storytelling, Race, Relations, Immigration, Ethnic Minorities, Children, Education, Moss Side, Manchester
GB3228.56/04	<b>Event attendee lists</b>	1980s	1 file	n/a	n/a	Open day visitors books and comments, and a list of Mina Book Bazaar attendees with addresses	n/a	Moss Side Parents Centre and Education Shop	Closed	English	n/a	Basic Education Through Storytelling, Race, Relations, Immigration, Ethnic Minorities, Children, Education, Moss Side, Manchester