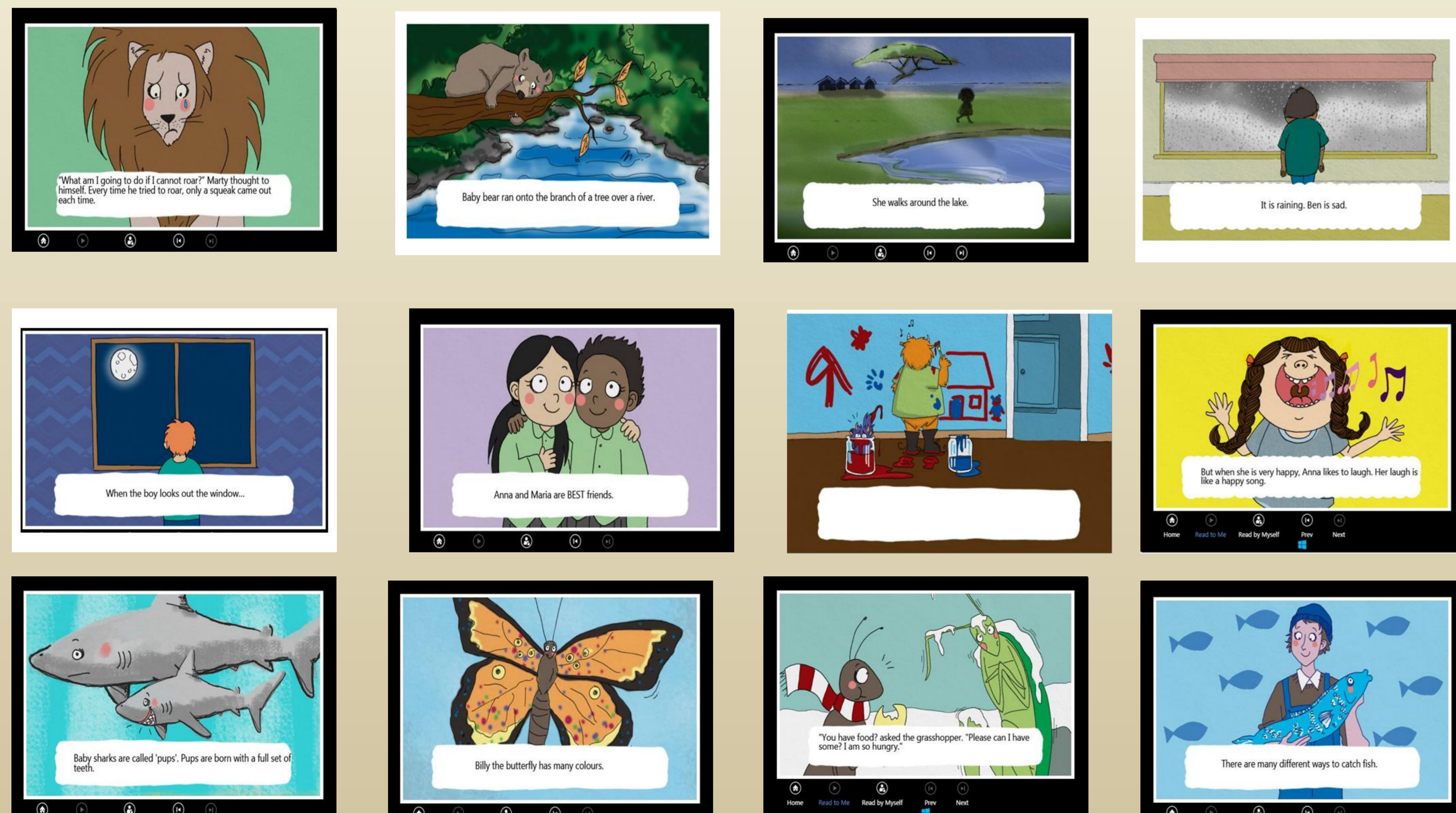# Chekhov Ebook Lit4Life Project

Contextual Framework

- Literacy is a fundamental human right.
- Almost 800 million people are illiterate in the world. Over two thirds of this population are women (UNESCO, 2015).
- Literacy is a multiple construct, grounded in social, cultural, political, and historical practices.
- Literacy encompasses critical, media, visual, digital, and information literacies.
- Mobile technologies and devices are prevalent in Global South countries.
- Ebook format provides a customisable learning platform to support reading and writing development.

Sample Screens of Chekhov Ebooks

Project Overview

- Partnership between Microsoft, Mediacraft and St. Patrick's College, DCU.
- 50 levelled Ebooks developed by students, teachers, and graduates of DCU using Chekhov App tool.
- Professional illustrations and narration added to Ebooks.
- Piloted in Global South countries of Bangladesh, Egypt, Ethiopia and Mexico.
- Stories translated into local indigenous languages.
- Open access on Microsoft Lit4life website (https://www.lit4life.net/Chekhov) following launch at St. Patrick's College campus in December, 2015.

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