



Reading Workshop for Parents

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Goal

This workshop is designed to give parents practical ways to nurture their children's reading success at home.



Why Reading Outside of School is so Important!

The following table summarizes the results of a study tracking the number of minutes fifth-grade students spent reading outside of school. Based on mathematical probabilities, the total number of minutes was correlated to the total number of words likely read by the students during the school year.

Minutes students spend reading books per day	How many words read per year	Percentile
65	4,358,000	98
21.1	1,823,000	90
9.6	622,000	70
4.6	282,000	50
1.8	106,000	30
.7	21,000	20

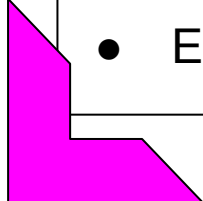
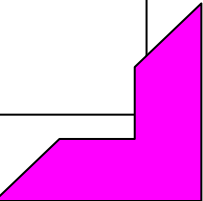
Background Information



- Students must learn to read before they can read to learn.
- No subject can be mastered until they learn to read successfully.
- Their test scores prove this fact.
- Most parents don't realize how much they can do to help their children become lifelong readers.



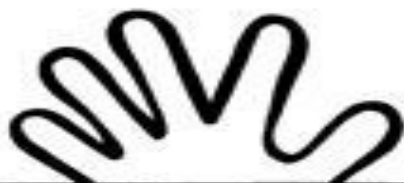
Strategies that can help your child to develop good reading habits at home

- Read daily with your child and make it part of your daily routine.
 - Pick a reading space and time.
 - Be excited about reading and let your child to catch your enthusiasm.
 - Visit libraries regularly.
 - Listen to and read challenging books together.
 - Develop appreciation for nonfiction.
 - Encourage your child to dig for details.
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Determining Independent, Instructional and Frustration Reading Levels

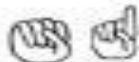


Independent	95% accuracy or above	The student can read the text on his/her own with ease. Very few errors are made during reading and the student easily understands what is read. Reading at this level boosts confidence and improves fluency skills (e.g. expression). Reading text at the independent level is ideal for independent and silent reading.
Instructional	90-95% accuracy	The student needs the support of the teacher or parent. This is the level in which new vocabulary and concepts are introduced and where the greatest progress in reading occurs. Using text at a student's instructional level is ideal for guided reading groups.
Frustration	below 90% accuracy	Decoding words, vocabulary and concepts are too difficult for the student. You may wish to read the text to the student so he/she can be exposed to high level vocabulary as well as listen to a fluent reader.



Five Finger Rule

1. Choose a book!
2. Open the book to any page and begin reading.
3. Put one finger up for each word you don't know.



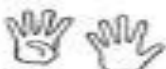
Too Easy

0-1 Fingers



Just Right!

2-3 Fingers



Too Hard

4-5 Fingers

Reading List

- [Grades K-2](#)
- [Grades 3-5](#)
- [Grades 6-8](#)



Online Library

Website: <https://www.getepic.com/sign-in-student>

Class Code: YYY-7973 (Free school usage)

Epic! is the children's ebook library, offering unlimited access to over 25,000 high-quality children's books. It's an unlimited library your kids can take anywhere!





Do not stop here...

- Use everyday experiences and outings to improve background knowledge and connect reading to real life.
- Help your child discover the pleasure of reading and develop a love of learning.
- Encourage your child to embrace the powers and joys of literacy!

Thank you!

