

READ ALoud

Why read aloud to your student K-5?

Children read to often demonstrate greater motivation to read, greater gains in vocabulary, better comprehension of new stories they heard, greater familiarity with literacy language, and better decoding skills. Additionally, one of the key indicators of students' success in school, on standardized tests, and indeed, in life, is their vocabulary. The reason for this is simply that the knowledge anyone has about a topic is based on the vocabulary of that information.

How long should I read aloud a day?

20 minutes- whether at night, waiting for the dentist, at the park, in the car with an audio book...BUT in the end it's quality versus quantity. Show your child you value reading by reading something everyday together!

What should we read?

Picture books, magazines, chapter books, fiction and nonfiction books that are above their grade level, that expose them to new ideas and vocabulary, and MOST OF ALL, engaging and bring you both joy! Here are some websites to support you in finding some great ideas for finding high quality, appropriately leveled texts:

100 Best Read Aloud Books-<http://www.scholastic.com/100BestReadAloudBooks/>

Good Reads-https://www.goodreads.com/list/show/328.Best_Read_Aloud_Chapter_Books

Read Aloud America-<http://www.readaloudamerica.org/booklist.htm>

Common Sense Media-<https://www.common sense media.org/book-reviews>

What do we talk about when reading?

"Readers will read if they have an opportunity to talk about books," so talking about what you read to them is the key. Here is an awesome resource to get you started in your discussion:

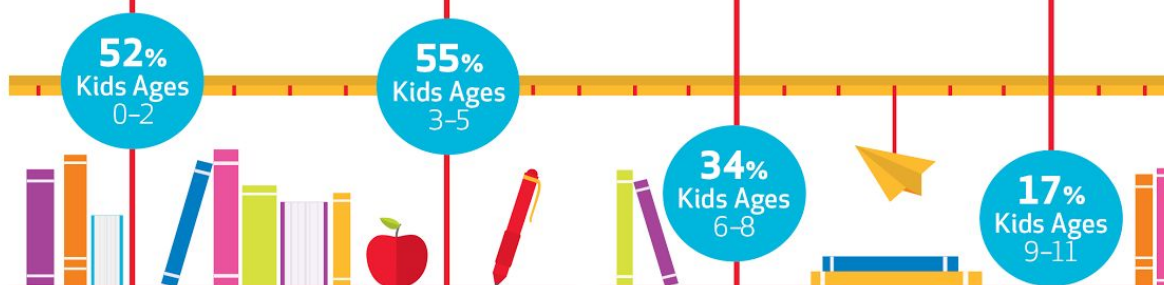
Book Talk Flyer-

<https://www.abss.k12.nc.us/cms/lib/NC01001905/Centricity/Domain/36/Parent%20Book%20Talk%20flyer.pdf>

"When parents and teachers work together, everyone benefits. Family-school partnerships leads to gains for everyone involved in education! Student learning grows. Parents become empowered. Teacher morale improves. Schools get better. Communities grow stronger. Everyone wins."

READ ALOUD: Start Early & Keep Going

Percentage of Kids Ages 0-11 Who Are Read Books Aloud 5-7 Days a Week:



Among parents of kids ages 0-5
60% RECEIVED ADVICE
that children should be read aloud to from birth

Among kids ages 6-17
83% ENJOY(ED) BEING READ ALOUD TO AT HOME because:

47% Among the lowest-income households

78% It's a special time with my parent

74% Among the highest-income households

65% Reading together is fun

54% It's relaxing to be read to before I go to sleep

Parents of Kids Ages 0-5 Started Reading Aloud to Their Child:

73% Before age one

30% Before three months old

Among kids ages 6-11 who are no longer read aloud to at home
40% WISH IT HAD CONTINUED

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The Kids & Family Reading Report™, Fifth Edition

Results from a nationally representative survey of 2,558 parents and children including 506 parents of children ages 0-5; 1,026 parents of children ages 6-17, plus one child age 6-17 from the same household, conducted August 29, 2014 through September 10, 2014, and managed by YouGov. See the full methodology at scholastic.com/readingreport.

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