

# How to Jump into Reading to Your Kids

➔ Set aside time each day to read to them. Even **15 minutes** a day will help! Add storytime into your **bedtime** routine or read to them as soon as you get home from work.

➔ Recall books you enjoyed as a child. It is likely your own kids will appreciate them, too.

➔ Visit your **local library**- that way you don't have to worry about buying books. There are plenty of options and it may be an opportunity to meet other readers.

➔ **Communicate** with your child's teacher about what they are reading in class. That way you have a better idea about their level.



## Why Will Reading To My Kids Help?

- ➔ A study by *Developmental Science* shows that reading aloud to children daily promotes discipline, builds an individual's authentic imagination, and strengthens comprehension writing skills.
- ➔ Statista.com records that teachers spend less time on average reading aloud in the classroom or giving opportunities to silent read.
- ➔ Children choose to spend their time watching TV or interacting with other digital forms of entertainment. A 2011 OUP Academic study proves this is not effective in their literacy comprehension development.



You'll Want to Start Reading to Your Children... Here's Why

The level of reading comprehension is drastically decreasing... Students now must pass a new literature comprehension test to move on to their next grade, each year, grades K-12

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# What is the purpose of the literature test?



- The new literature test will ensure each student is adequately prepared for their next school year and all students in the same grade are comprehensively understanding of the curriculum.
- This test will be administered at the end of every school year, testing comprehension and writing skills.
- If the minimum score is not met, parents can choose to have their children repeat a grade or move on with the understanding extra reading will be required. Students cannot move up if they fail two exams consecutively.



## Teachers, Do Your Part

- Read aloud to your students! Group read can even be more fun than one-on-one. Allow students to also pair up or get into small groups and read to each other.
- Meet with parents to discuss each child's reading progress.
- Send book lists home with each student weekly or monthly, depending on grade level.
- Take a visit to the library- visiting the school library or even taking a field trip to the local public library can be an exciting way to introduce students to new books.