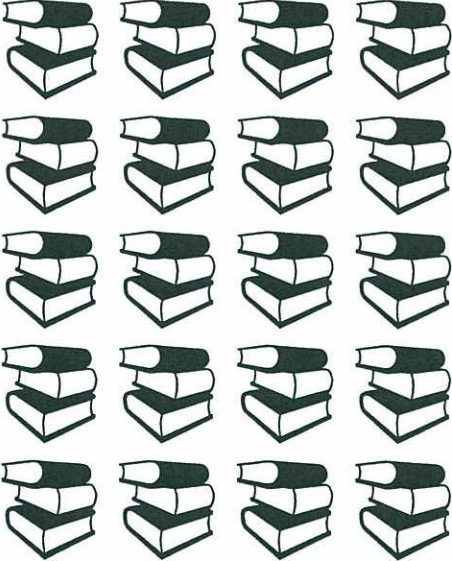




# WHY READ 20 MINUTES AT HOME?

Student A Reads	Student B Reads	Student C Reads
❖ 20 minutes per day.	❖ 5 minutes per day.	❖ 1 minute per day
❖ 3,600 minutes per school year.	❖ 900 minutes per school year.	❖ 180 minutes per school year.
❖ 1,800,000 words per year.	❖ 282,000 words per year.	❖ 8,000 words per year.
		
❖ Scores in the 90 <sup>th</sup> percentile on standardized tests.	❖ Scores in the 50 <sup>th</sup> percentile on standardized tests.	❖ Scores in the 10 <sup>th</sup> percentile on standardized tests.

If they start reading for 20 minutes per night in Kindergarten, by the end of 6<sup>th</sup> grade, Student A will have read for the equivalent of 60 school days, Student B will have read for 12 school days, and Student C will have read for 3.

(Nagy and Herman, 1987.)

WANT TO BE A BETTER READER? SIMPLY READ.



# Reading at Home

## Make Reading an Adventure

- Read in Fun Places
- Read in Fun Ways
- Read Different Kinds of Books and read about Different Things

A child can NEVER read a book too many times! Each time your child reads a book again, they gain new knowledge and build **FLUENCY!**



# HOT

### When reading a book:

"What do you think might happen next?"

"Does this remind you of anything from your life?"

"Can you tell me about what you read today?"

"Why did he/she act that way?"

### When visiting an unfamiliar place:

"How is \_\_\_\_\_ similar to/different from \_\_\_\_\_?"

"Can you explain/show me that in another way?"

### When making an important decision:

"How would you rank \_\_\_\_\_?"

"How do you imagine \_\_\_\_\_ would look?"

# Writing at Home

HELP your child to become a writer and illustrator! Build their confidence and encourage them as they learn!



## Things to Remember

- ★ Writing should be fun and stress free.
- ★ Allow your child to draw and write at their level. Every child starts by scribbling. They are putting what they think on paper in a way that makes sense to them.
- ★ Let your child know you value what they "write". Read it, hang it up, or take the list with you to the store.
- ★ The pictures are just as important as the words! Encourage your child to draw what they are writing!

## Make a Writing Basket/Bucket

- Paper- all sizes and colors
- Pencils/Pens/Markers/Crayons
- Scissors
- Tape
- Glue Stick
- Index Cards/Post It Notes
- Envelopes
- Stickers
- Stencils