



Help Your Child Learn To Love Reading

(NAPSA)—When children realize that reading is an adventure, a whole universe of possibilities blossoms for them. These ideas may help you inspire your children to develop a lifelong friendship with books.

- **Read the news.** Children need to know there's more to the news than a 30-second sound bite. Newspapers, magazines and online articles can give kids in-depth details to satisfy their curiosity. Read an article together and help your children with difficult words or abstract concepts.

- **Read aloud** with your children. In young children, it nurtures an interest in language, words and communication. For older kids, reading together can be a fun way to develop reading skills and create a basis for discussions.

- **Collect books and digital news.** Encourage your children to create their own treasure trove of books and online resources. Look for books at yard sales, in the book section at bargain stores, at the grocery store—wherever you can find them. Create a list of websites and online resources that spark your child's imagination.

- **Turn vocabulary from a grind to a giggle** by creating word games. Compile a word list or ask your children's teacher for one and make daily or weekly vocabulary games.



Among reading's benefits, many research studies have found that children who are read to or who read on their own at home do better in school.

- **Encourage children to write** original stories and illustrate them with their own drawings.

- **Visit the free interactive, reading motivational program** online at www.BookAdventure.com. Students choose their own books from more than 8,500 titles, take short quizzes and redeem points for prizes. The site was created by Sylvan Learning, the leading provider of tutoring to students of all ages, grades and skill levels.

A good time to make the commitment to read every day is March 1, 2013, the National Education Association's official Read Across America day—but any day is a good one to read.

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