

How to Support a Child's Interest in Reading

In the U.S., one-third of all public school fourth graders score below basic reading levels and nearly half of all parents express concern that their children do not read enough for fun. While these figures are staggering, the solution is simple. Studies show that when parents read with their children and provide access to books, children read more and classroom scores rise significantly. National PTA and Kindle are working together to help families get more involved in their children's reading and enhance their emerging interest in books. Visit **PTA.org/FamilyReading** and **Amazon.com/Kindleforkids** to support a child's interest in reading.



61%

of low-income families in the US have no age appropriate books in their homes for children





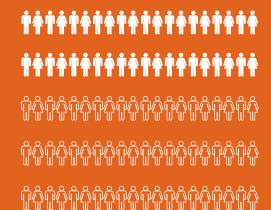




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Parents who **role-model** good reading habits have a **greater impact** on a child's reading skills **than household income**.

Nearly of parents say their child does not spend enough time reading for fun.



73%

of children get ideas from their parents for books to read for fun.^{iv}

Where parent engagement is high, classrooms

score 28 points above the

national average.vii



50% of children say they would read more

would read more books for fun if they had greater access to ebooks."



People with e-readers read books more per year,

on average, than those without an e-reader.vi



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