

Local, State and National Resources

Use the links and QR Codes on these Power Point slides to find resources for supporting children's reading development.

New York State Public Libraries

Use the link to find your local public library, then search to learn more about what they offer.



Take advantage of story times
or youth book clubs

<https://nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/libs/publibs/>



Find Ebooks through your library

All library systems across New York have collections of e-books and audiobooks that their patrons can download from home. Find your county on the list and see what books are available to you.

New
York State
Library



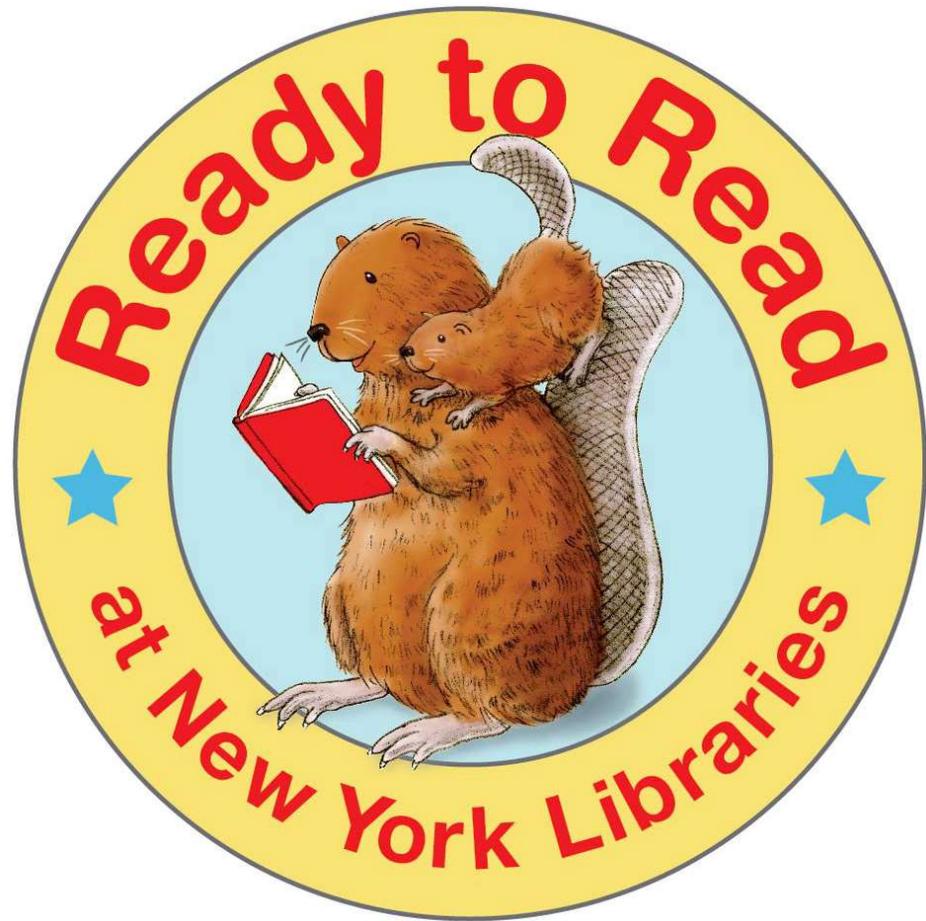
<http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/libs/publibs/findebooks.htm>

New York State Library

[DaybyDayNY](https://daybydayny.org) is a website for young children and their families. It is part of the New York State Library early literacy initiative [Ready to Read at New York Libraries](https://www.nyslibrary.org/ready-to-read).



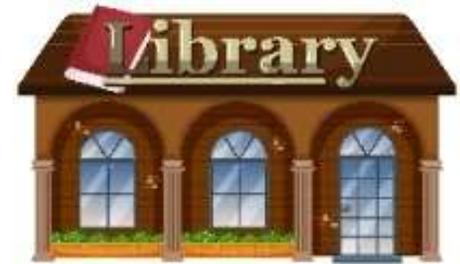
<https://daybydayny.org/about-daybydayny/>



Rochester Public Library & Monroe County Library System

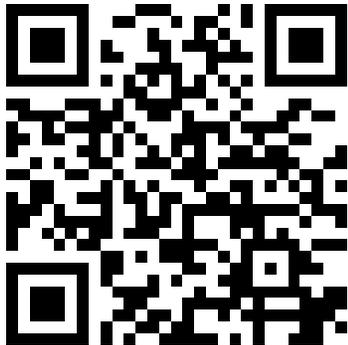
- Central Library of Rochester - Main Branch (Rundel Memorial Building & Bausch & Lomb Building)
 - 115 South Avenue Rochester, NY 14604
 - (585) 428 -7300
- Branch Locations
 - Arnett Branch
 - Charlotte Branch
 - Frederick Douglas Community Library
 - Lincoln Branch
 - Lyell Branch
 - Maplewood Community Library
 - Monroe Branch
 - Phillis Wheatley Community Library
 - Sully Branch
 - Winton Branch

- Brighton Memorial Library
- Brockport Seymour Library
- Chili Public Library
- East Rochester Public Library
- Gates Public Library
- Greece Public Library/Barnard-Crossing Branch
- Hamlin Public Library
- Henrietta Public Library
- Irondequoit Public Library
- Mendon Public Library
- Newman Riga Library
- Ogden Farmers' Library
- Parma Public Library
- Penfield Public Library
- Pittsford Community Library
- Rush Public Library
- Scottsville Free Library, Scottsville & Mumford Branches
- Webster Public Library



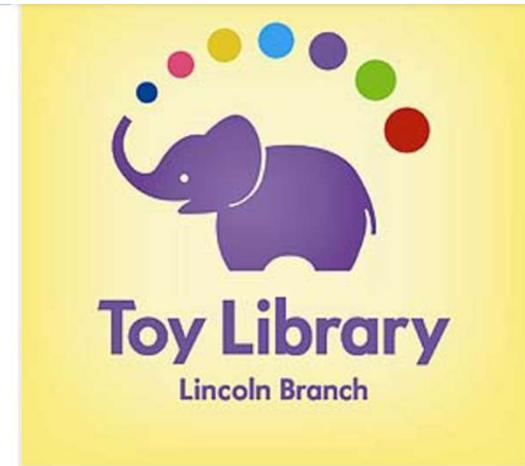
<https://libraryweb.org/hours/locations-hours/>

Rochester Public Library Toy Library at the Lincoln Branch



851 Joseph Avenue
Rochester, NY 14621

585-428-8210



Toddler Play
Pretend Play
Creative Play
Building Toys
School Play

<https://roccitylibrary.org/division/toy-library/>



- Early Literacy Throughout the Year
 - Themed Tip Sheets for Each Month
- Parent Tip Sheets
 - English
 - Arabic
 - Chinese (Mandarin)
 - French
 - Somali
 - Spanish
 - Vietnamese



National Website

<https://www.raisingreaders.org>

Rochester Public Library

Call Tonia Burton at (585) 428-8151 or

Email: tonia.burton@libraryweb.org

TALKING IS TEACHING

- Talking is Teaching is a national campaign to bring awareness and boost the early learning, language and literacy and brain development of children from birth through age five.
- “Talking is Teaching: Talk, Read, Sing” aims to give parents and caregivers the tools to talk, read, and sing more with their young children from birth, increasing meaningful interactions that are critical to healthy brain development.
- Research shows that during the first years of life a child’s brain forms one million new neural connections every second and absorbs information like a sponge.
- This is why simple, everyday interactions with young children—like describing objects seen during a walk or bus ride, singing songs, or telling stories—can better prepare them for school, and lay a strong foundation for their social-emotional development, health, and lifelong learning.
- Anyone can access the resources and download them individually. The Rochester Public Library can also provide information.
- Made specifically for families, caregivers and early educators, these resources can help enrich a child's early language experiences by providing research-based tips for talking, reading, and singing with young children every day beginning from birth.
- All tip sheets are available in English and Spanish and can be downloaded for free on the website.



National Website

<https://talkingisteaching.org/about>

Rochester Library Website

<https://libraryweb.org/kids/talking-is-teaching/>

Talk Read Sing Together Everyday

Tip Sheets for Families and Caregivers



LET'S TALK ABOUT LETTERS

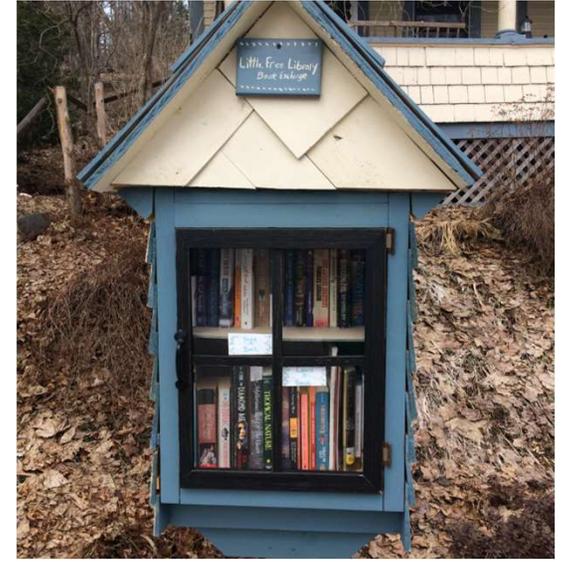
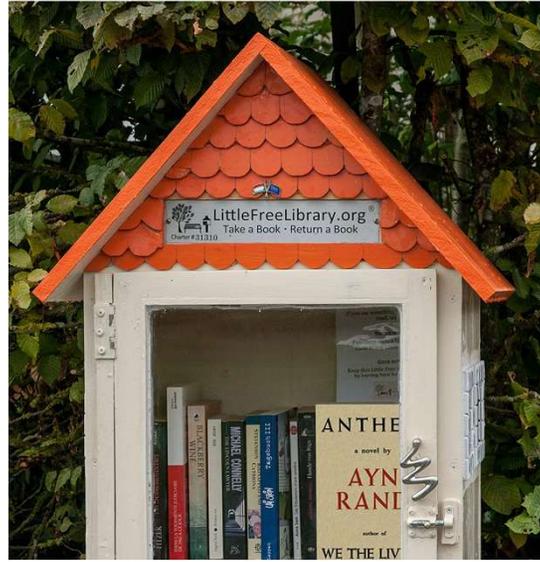


National Website

<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ecd/talk-read-and-sing-together-every-day>

Rochester Library Website

<https://libraryweb.org/kids/talking-is-teaching/>



Little Free Libraries

<https://littlefreelibrary.org/>

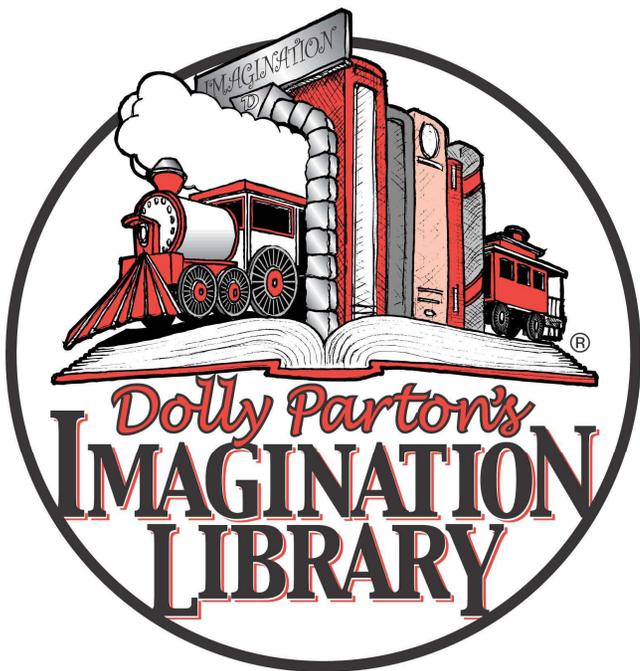


Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Rochester, NY

Mails free, high-quality books
each month to the homes of
children from birth to age 5 in the
city of Rochester, NY.



<https://www.rochesterimaginationlibrary.org>



Learner's Dictionary



- This online dictionary by Merriam-Webster's Dictionary is designed to support young learners of all levels who are growing in their vocabulary. Its definitions are worded with simple language that supports vocabulary growth without overwhelming the child with more unknown words.
- It also provides fun features like "Word of the Day" and "Ask the Editor," providing a variety of opportunities to explore words.

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/kids>



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Enjoying Books with Reluctant Readers



This resource is designed to support families of students in grades pre-k through six to develop a consistent interest in reading. It offers caregivers tips about how to spend time reading that engages a child, regardless of reading levels. It also provides guiding questions for adult readers to consider asking their young readers when they are exploring a book together.

<https://includenyc.org/help-center/resources/enjoying-books-with-reluctant-readers/>



READING rockets

Launching young readers!

Family Guide & Tip Sheets for Babies to 3rd grade

- Spanish
- French
- Arabic
- Traditional Chinese
- Diné (Navajo)
- Haitian Creole
- Hmong
- Korean
- Portuguese
- Russian
- Tagalog
- Vietnamese
- Somali



<https://www.readingrockets.org>

- Empowering Parents Guide & Tip Sheets
 - Tips for Raising a Reader
 - Reading Tips for Parents of Children with Disabilities

Empowering
Parents
Reading Rockets Parents' Guide





Target The Problem!

Understand the problems a child may be having with reading, and target what you can do to help!

Look inside for practical, research-based information for parents and teachers about:

- Phonological and Phonemic Awareness
- Word Decoding and Phonics
- Vocabulary
- Fluency
- Comprehension
- Other sources of reading difficulty



A collaborative project of



Reading Rockets | www.readingrockets.org



The Access Center | www.k8accesscenter.org



LD OnLine | www.ldonline.org

Things to be aware of

There are many reasons why reading can be hard. This handout describes the five components of reading and difficulties that kids experience within each area. We hope this tool helps you become aware of specific areas in which a child is having trouble and begin targeting ways to help. It's important to note that struggling readers will often have problems in multiple areas. For example, children who have problems with phonemic awareness almost always have problems in word decoding and phonics.

The key thing is, don't hesitate when you suspect a child has a reading difficulty. Trust your judgment and consider how a child does in comparison with other students. Parents play a huge role in making sure that their child's needs are being addressed by the school. Some kids end up being diagnosed with a learning disability. There is an even larger group of students, though, who never receive a diagnosis but who nonetheless need targeted assistance to learn and read well. Because you care the most about your child, you need to understand your child's needs and advocate for him or her. A thorough reading evaluation can help determine a child's reading difficulties. Talk to the school about getting an assessment done for your child.

We hope you'll use this information as a starting point! The best thing that can happen is for parents, teachers, and other professionals to begin working together to help a child strengthen the skills that are so crucial to learning to read.

The Fine Print

Please note that "Target the Problem" is not intended to replace the expertise of trained professionals such as educational diagnosticians, school psychologists, special educators, or general educators in either diagnosing or instructing children who may have reading disabilities. "Target the Problem" is also not intended to be exhaustive in scope. Please use the information provided in conjunction with information you may glean from other resources and people.

For more information:

<http://www.readingrockets.org/target>

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<https://www.readingrockets.org/content/target-problem>



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A Bilingual Site

- For Families:
 - Parent Tips
 - Help Your Child Learn to Read
- Colorín Colorado is a bilingual site for educators and families of English Language Learners (ELLs) in Grades PreK – 12th Grade.
- The free resources are research-based and designed to provide information, activities and advice to parents, schools, and communities.



<https://www.colorincolorado.org>



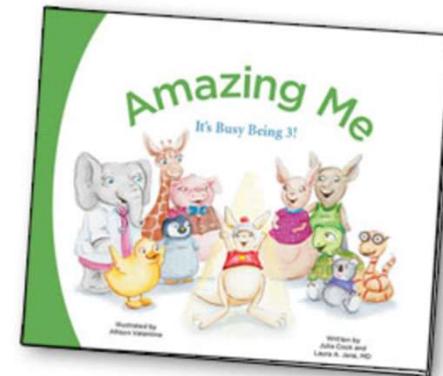
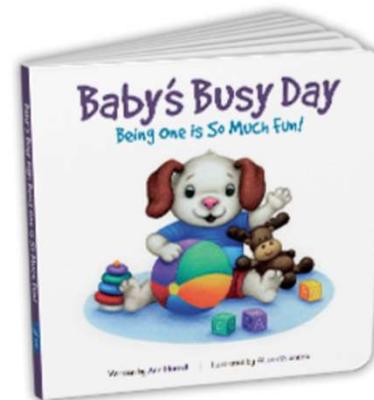
- The Regional Education Laboratory Program at Florida State University offers a variety of supports organized by grade-level (kindergarten through third grade) to families when reading with their children at home.
- The first section of the program focuses on language development. Using video examples and other resources, the site shares strategies about talking with your child as you read with them and strategies about engaging your child in reading during everyday life activities such as grocery shopping or cooking.



https://ies.ed.gov/ncee/edlabs/regions/southeast/foundations/kindergarten_recommendation1.asp

CDC's Amazing Books for Families

- The Center for Disease Control and Prevention offers families and caregivers a wide selection of Early Childhood books at no cost.
- Families can order the hardcover books or download PDF versions of them in English and Spanish.
- The CDC encourages families to read, sing, and play with your child every day to foster their continued development.



<https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/actearly/amazingme.html>



U.S. Department of Education

PARENTS / HELP MY CHILD READ
Reading Resources

Resources from the United States Department of Education on reading development and education in children.



<https://www2.ed.gov/parents/read/resources/edpicks.jhtml>



SCHOLASTIC



- **Scholastic's** homepage for parents includes book recommendations, tips and resources.
- There are activities and printable documents available to use with children to support reading and writing.

<https://www.scholastic.com/parents/home.html>

Storyline Online

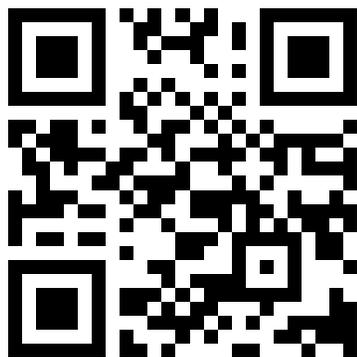
- The **Storyline Online** website features Screen Actors Guild members reading their favorite books aloud alongside animated illustrations for children.
- Each book includes a supplementary curriculum designed to help strengthen comprehension and verbal and written skills for English-language learners.



<https://storylineonline.net/>



Bookshare



- Bookshare is an e-book library designed to make reading easier through customizable and accessible e-books.
- Bookshare is free for U.S. students with qualifying reading barriers.
- People with dyslexia, blindness, cerebral palsy, and other reading barriers can customize their experience to suit their learning style and find virtually any book they need for school, work, or the joy of reading.

<https://www.bookshare.org/cms/>



- Type in virtually any combination of search terms.
- Type in search engine terms like “read-alouds” and “children’s book”
- Hundreds come up!

<https://www.youtube.com>





<https://www.wxxi.org/education>



<https://www.wxxi.org/kids247>



<https://pbskids.org>



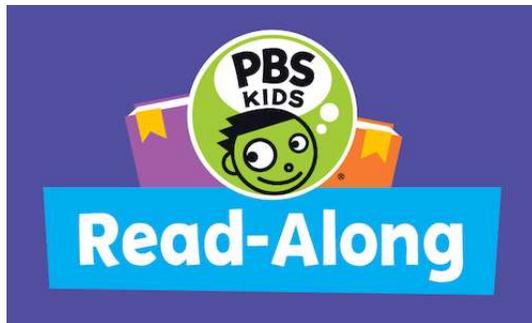
For Parents

<https://www.pbs.org/parents/>

PBS Kids



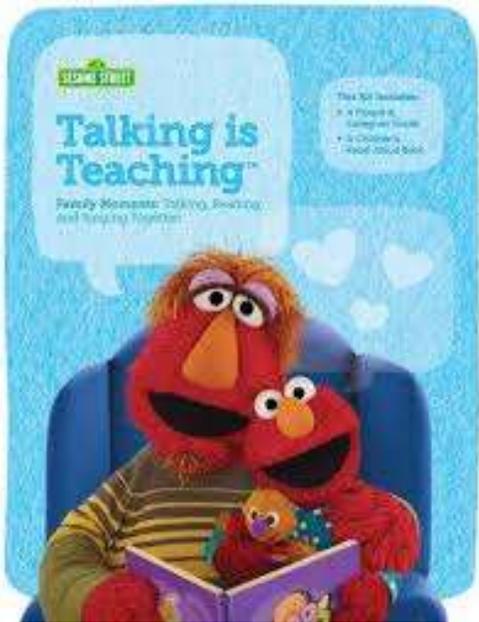
- This interactive website offers a wide range of fun opportunities to experience reading and grow a child's vocabulary such as [Read-Alongs](#) and [Vocabulary Games](#).
- The activities include opportunities for elementary students to listen to books being read in many different languages and exposes children to many different cultures.



<https://www.pbs.org/parents/read-along>



<https://pbskids.org/games/vocabulary/>



<http://talkingisteaching.org/resources/talking-is-teaching-sesame-street-family-guide>

<https://www.letslearn.org/>



Collections > Let's Learn

In This Collection: Video (431) for Grades PreK-K, K-2



PARENTING MINUTES

WNET's Parenting Minutes are short videos that focus on key topics related to early childhood learning and raising children. Each video page contains shareable tips and facts, as well as links to more FREE resources and information.

<https://www.letslearn.org/>

Clips by Theme

Let's Learn themes! Explore clips grouped by themes.

All about us

Animals

Babies

Colors

Feelings

Games

I love learning

Light

My five senses

Plants

Transformation

Transportation

Water

Where we live

Let's Learn

Helps children ages 3-7 with learning in and out of school.

Full Episodes

Clips by Subjects

Clips by Themes

▶ WATCH NEW EPISODES

Clips by Subject



Storybooks

Let's read a story! More than 100 picture books by diverse authors and illustrators feature diverse characters.



Reading and Writing

Let's read and write! Let's learn coaches help students build reading skills using story elements, story elements, rhyming words, consonants, and blends.



Math

Let's have fun with numbers! Engaging lessons focus on counting and comparing numbers, shapes, addition and subtraction patterns, measurement, money and time.



Science

Let's explore science! Educators conduct science experiments and teach lessons about animals, plants, the senses, water, weather, force and motion.



Arts

Let's create, design, make music, and perform! Teaching artists show different ways to have creative fun.



Social Studies

Let's learn about the world around us! Videos explore families and communities, economics, geography, civics and government.



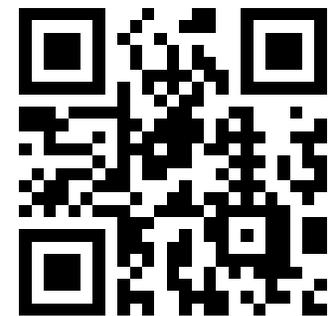
Mind and Movement

Let's be mindful and move! Educators help students learn techniques to be "top good friends and not."



STEM

Let's solve problems, build and learn computer coding skills! Videos explore what's possible with a combination of science, technology, engineering, and math.



<https://www.letslearn.org/>

PTA Guides to Student
Success
(English and Spanish)



<http://www.pta.org/home/family-resources/Parents-Guides-to-Student-Success>



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**Parents' Guide to
Student Success**

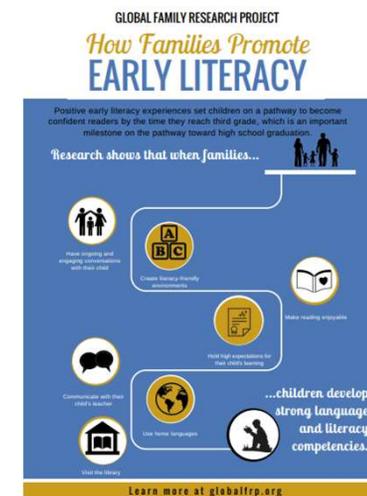
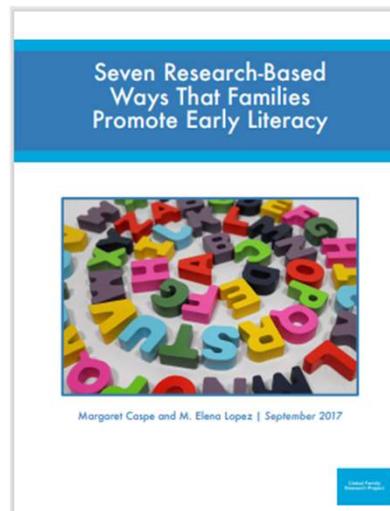
Global Family Research Project



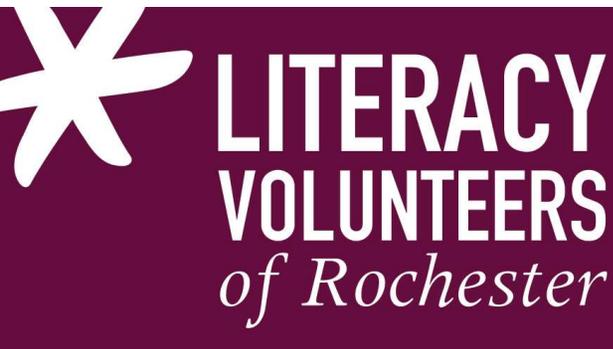
Research shows when families support their child's literacy development in these ways:

1. Have ongoing and engaging conversations with their children
2. Create literacy-friendly environments
3. Make reading enjoyable
4. Hold high expectations for their child's learning
5. Communicate with their child's teacher
6. Use home language
7. Visit the library

Children become confident readers by the time they reach third grade.



https://globalfrp.org/content/download/88/593/file/Early+Literacy+Brief_Final.pdf



The Literacy Volunteers of Rochester help people fully participate in their community. Free programs and services include:

- **One-to-One Tutoring:** Reading, English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), math and more.
- **Small Group Instruction:** for adults seeking basic literacy, high school equivalency or vocational training programs.
- **Family Literacy:** Provides small groups of parents and their children, ages 3- 11, with the tools to promote and support basic literacy.
- **English Conversation Groups:** These groups provide an opportunity for English as a Second Language students to improve their speaking confidence and meet other adults who are learning English.



<https://literacyrochester.org>