Make Reading a Family Habit!

Pre-reading
Questions:
• Do you read everyday?
• Is reading a habit for you?

Definitions:
• Fact – something that is true
• Habit – something you do every day
• Rummage Sale – the sale of a family’s things
  they don’t want or need anymore

Reading

Reading is an important part of our lives! Almost everything we do includes reading. We need to read at work. We need to read signs to drive. We even need to read words on the television sometimes!

It is a fact that kids who are good readers do better in school. So how do we get our children to be better readers? Make reading a family habit!

The best way to get a reading habit started is to read yourself. Kids do what they see. If they see you reading every day, they will read everyday!

Make sure to have plenty of things around the house to read. Get a library card. Check out books and magazines to read. Go to rummage sales and buy used books.

Ask your kids to read to you. Ask them to read the label on the cereal box. Ask them to read the road signs. Ask them to read the instructions on the frozen pizza box.

Make reading fun. Let kids read about things they enjoy. If they enjoy sports, let them read about sports. If they enjoy bugs, let them read about bugs. Kids who love what they are reading, learn to love to read!

Level 3.5
**Understanding**

1. List two things that you can ask your kids to read.

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2. Why is reading important?

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3. What is the best way to get a reading habit started?

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4. What does the story say your kids will do if they see you read every day?

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5. How do we get our children to be better readers?

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**Writing**

Choice A: What do you enjoy reading?

Choice B: What can you do to make reading a habit for your family?