

# What YOU can do to support reading at home . . .

## Model the importance of reading at home:

- **Allow your children to see YOU reading** – newspapers, magazines or anything you enjoy.
- Great reason for stowing devices, [ *powered-down, & collected,* ] once homework is done. **Encourage reading for 15 minutes, each evening** ~ suggest just before sleeping.

( b-t-w: **Print is still king** – no disruptive blue light emanating from a device, so portable, & needs no charging – known to boost retention & have a soothing effect on reader - no ill effects if you fall asleep while reading a book or magazine . . . *except perhaps a possible thump as it hits the floor.* )

- As we spend so much time in our cars, going from one activity to another, **LISTEN to books on audio.**

[ Our library has suggestions for *free* audio books, OR, our **Public Libraries will assist you** in downloading, or borrowing audio books on CD. *I know – newer vehicles don't even have CD players – Try tag sales!* Did you know: It's the twentieth anniversary of that juggernaut series, "**Harry Potter,**" & *Jim Dale's* narration of the series is unmatched! ]

- Be sure to **LOG pages read, both yours, & your child's,** to support our school challenge to **read a MILLION pages**

## Reading:

- Builds the imagination muscle
- Assists in knowledge retention, ( recalling plots, & characters, etc. )
- Effortlessly builds vocabulary – contextually
- Supports critical thinking ~connecting what is read with other subject knowledge
- Prepares students for life-long learning

# The Rights of the Reader

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**1** The right not to read.



**2** The right to skip.



**3** The right not to finish a book.



**4** The right to read it again.



**5** The right to read anything.



**6** The right to mistake a book for real life.



**7** The right to read anywhere.



**8** The right to dip in.



**9** The right to read out loud.



**10** The right to be quiet.

10 rights — 1 warning  
Don't make fun of people  
who don't read —  
or they never will.

