Grow your child's love of reading

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A Market Leader In Children's Publishing

As Australia's market leader of children's publishing, and a recognisable household name in children's literature, Scholastic has been helping Australian families discover a lifelong love of reading for over 50 years.

You can find Scholastic titles in bookshops and major retailers throughout the nation. You may even have a Scholastic book on your bookshelf without realising, from Australian classic stories like *Possum Magic* to new favourites like *Pig the Pug* and global bestsellers like The Hunger Games and Captain Underpants.

At Scholastic, we want to encourage a love of reading in every child that we hope will stay with them forever.



The Importance of 10 Minutes a Day

Did you know that just 10 minutes of reading a day will change your child's life?

While that may seem like a big statement to make, numerous studies have consistently shown that 10 minutes exposure to reading materials each day is all it takes to positively shape your child's future.

And this doesn't just include complicated educational texts any reading materials, be it comic books, novels, picture books, recipes, the television guide or the back of food packets, all count towards your child's daily reading goal.

Reading any of these materials for 10 minutes a day exposes your child to more than 600,000 words in one year—interestingly, that's more than double the word exposure of a child who only reads for 5 minutes or less each day.

How can you ensure that you can comfortably set aside some time each day to help your child reach their reading goal? We've put together a few reading tips to help:

- Look through Book Club catalogues with your child and talk about the books you would like to read together. Discuss what you think the books might be about.
- Be a reading role model and let your child see you reading for enjoyment, for news and for information in cookbooks, magazines, online etc. This way they see that reading is important for many reasons.
- Assign a place in your home for your family's books to show your child that books are special and deserve an organised storage space. Fill your home with lots of reading materials.
- If space allows, create a special area for your child to dedicate to reading. Make sure your child puts aside phones, tablets and any other devices that may form a distraction.
- Tie books and TV/movies together. For example, read about sea life after watching a nature documentary on the ocean. Or, connect books and experiences together. For example, after a school excursion to the zoo, read books about animals.

"Be a reading role model and let your child see you reading."

ADDING 10 MINUTES OF READING EVERY DAY MATTERS

1,800,000+

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Welcome to Book Club



With numerous studies finding that reading at home is a key factor in a child's lifelong success, Book Club provides a fun and easy way of bringing books into your home.

We believe that reading is for everyone, no matter their age, interests or reading abilities. That's why Book Club offers a wide range of titles in each issue for your child, from popular fiction series and charming new picture books, to fascinating nonfiction titles and hands-on activities that stimulate creativity and encourage problem-solving.

Book Club catalogues arrive at your school up to twice a term during the school year, so make sure you keep an eye out for when it arrives home in your child's school bag!

Book Club

Your child's order is then delivered to their class, ready to take home and be eagerly read.

> Your school's Book Club Organiser will take care of the rest! Every order you place earns your school FREE books and learning resources.

How Book Club Works

Book Club catalogues arrive at school up to twice a term and can usually be found hiding in your child's backpack.



2 Discuss and help your child pick the books they would like to read then order online via our LOOP website or app. LOOP orders are linked to your school in an easy, secure online process.

Our Book Club promise to you

Carefully curated

Each issue is specially curated and filled with age appropriate titles that have been carefully selected by our professional booklovers.

✓ Value for your money

Your child can take home a book from as little as \$3, because we believe every child deserves to experience independent reading for pleasure.

Quality publishing

Book Club gives you access to the best in children's publishing from best-selling authors and illustrators from around the world.

Reading is for everyone

We include activity-based items because they help foster your child's interest in the wonderful world of books, and further develop their reading confidence.



Reward your school!

Every purchase you make earns your child's school Scholastic Rewards that the school can use to purchase valuable educational resources that benefit your child.





Families order from Book Club.



The school earns Scholastic Rewards.

The school redeems Scholastic Rewards for additional resources.

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Activity-based reading fosters your child's interest in the wonderful world of books, and helps to further develop their reading confidence.

Reading success is not exclusively for children who are already dedicated bookworms. With some guidance, it is achievable for any child, no matter their interests or abilities.

Your child may not be currently interested in chapter books and novels, but perhaps they're a budding scientist with a keen interest in robotics? Maybe they love to paint and draw and create fun craft projects in their spare time? Maybe they

> have a flair for the dramatic and love engaging in some role-playing games, or going on spy missions with their friends?

> Using your child's interests is a fantastic way to boost their reading skills without forcing them to read something that doesn't interest them, and that could potentially turn them off reading for pleasure in the future. This is why in each issue of Book Club you will find a range of activity-based items for all ages and interests that cover the four key activity-based reading pathways: Communication, Investigation, Realworld/STEM and Creative Arts.

Look out for these icons on selected products throughout Book Club:



To find out more about how Activity-based Reading can foster your child's interest in the wonderful world of books visit **scholastic.com.au/growingreaders**



We are dedicated to responsibly sourcing our paper and packaging; and while we aim to inspire a love of reading and learning, we are also committed to protecting the environment for future generations of Australian children.

"We have embarked on The NSW Environmental Protection Authority "Bin Trim" program to maximize recycling."

Scholastic Australia began looking at alternative plastics 12 months ago in November 2018; the process has not happened overnight as we researched many possible solutions and will be ongoing. Some alternatives have been sourced and we are committed to removing the use of single-use harmful plastics in all of our internal bundling and packaging while concurrently improving our waste and recycling systems. With changing technology we will continue to look for the best products and practices available going into the future. We have embarked on The NSW Environmental Protection Authority "Bin Trim" program to maximise recycling and minimise waste to ensure a circular economy within the business.

Scholastic Australia's 2020 plastics and packaging commitments:

- Single-use plastics will be removed from our internal bundling, packaging and waste practices.
- Internal bundling of packs and boxed sets will only use recyclable and biodegradable materials.

In lieu of biodegradable materials where not applicable, Scholastic is and will continue to make a concerted effort to use, source and manufacture products of recycled and/or recyclable materials.

 Book Club catalogues are printed on FSC certified recycled paper.
Our AirPlus protective packaging is made from 50% recycled material and is able to be reused or recycled through soft plastic recycler Redcycle.

We are committed to providing a safer and happier future for our children and are continually looking for areas to improve our environmental sustainability.

Did you know?

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Join Us for National Simultaneous Storytime 2020 Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country. Now in its 20th successful year, National Simultaneous Storytime is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy.

Scholastic is once again proud to support ALIA in reaching a goal of getting 1 million kids reading.

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ALIA National Simultaneous Storytime 2020 to be celebrated across Australia and New Zealand

WEDNESDAY 27 MAY, 2020

Join us for National Simultaneous Storytime, register your family for FREE at

alia.org.au/nss and get ready to read together

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SCHOLASTIC **Every Book** Counts

You're sharing the joy of reading with kids in need.

We believe that all children should have regular access to quality affordable books, especially during times of sickness, devastation or hardship.

Every time you buy a Scholastic book you are helping us to help sick children in hospital, reach children in remote communities, get books into the hands of underprivileged children and help communities affected by natural disaster.

#everybookcounts #scholasticinthecommunity

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