

How to Get Your Teen Reading

I am often asked “with all the technology, do kids still like to read?” I can honestly say yes! In fact, more students are actually coming in and saying they are tired of looking at their phones and want something to read, or how they used to really love reading and want to get back into it. This generates great conversations and allows me to get to know our students even better. I start them out with something in their interest area, not too many pages and many books now are written in prose which gives a quick sense of accomplishment and are great stories! Students leave with a scented bookmark and when they return asking for something similar, both our hearts are full! I hope these suggestions help your family, please reach out anytime!



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Family Book Ideas

Make Your Bed by William H. McRaven
Rich Dad Poor Dad - Robert Kiyosaki
Think Again - Adam Grant

Popular Books

If I Stay - Gayle Forman
Caraval - Stephanie Garber
One of Us Is Lying - Karen McManus
Serpent King - Jeff Zentner
Crossover - Kwame Alexander
Secret Life of Bees - Sue Monk Kidd
Beanball - Gene Fehler
Romance - authors Jenny Han or Kasie West
They Went Left - Monica Hesse
Finnikin of the Rock - Melina Marchetta

For Reluctant Readers...

Watch a movie together and turn on closed captioning - listening to the audio and reading the words at the same time can increase reading comprehension, teach cadence and increase speed

If there is a movie they love, see if there is a book it is based on - they will be surprised there is so much more that happens in the book!

Set aside 20-30 minutes every night for family reading time, no phones, no interruptions, **EVERYONE** reads

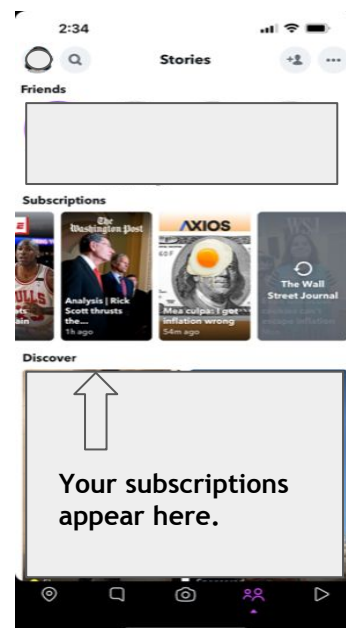
Start with magazines in your child's interest area for the reading time

Download the audiobook and use with the hard copy to follow along

Find a source on Instagram that give quick recaps of the news for the day to read & discuss - I like SharonSaysSo and Mosheh

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