Why Reading 20 Minutes a Day At Home Makes a ***Big Difference***

Student A Reads 20 minutes per day



That's equal to

- 3,600 minutes per school year
- 1,800,000 words per year
- 851 hours by 6th grade

90th percentile on testing

Student B Reads 5 minutes per day



That's equal to

- 900 minutes per school year
- 282,000 words per year
- 212 hours by 6th grade

50th percentile on testing

Student C Reads 1 minute per day



That's equal to

- 180 minutes per school year
- 8,000 words per year
- 42 hours by 6th grade

10th percentile on testing

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Just 20 minutes of reading at home each day adds up—fast.

If student A begins reading 20 minutes a night in kindergarten, by the end of 6th grade, they will have read the equivalent of 60 school days. Student B will have read for 12, and student C will have read for 3. Daily reading strengthens language, builds background knowledge, and creates joyful habits that last a lifetime.