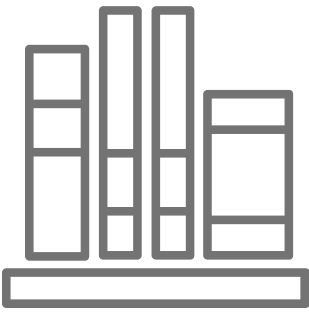


# HOW READING HELPS CHILDREN



## STIRS THE IMAGINATION

When children read, they are forced to use their imagination to visualise what they are reading. We all know that every individual will have a different imagine in their mind. But this image, will help them to see a picture of their story in their heads. When it is their turn to write a story, they can build on the ideas they have read before.

## SPARKS THEIR CURIOSITY

Often reading will make children more curious when they find something exciting or something new. They will start asking questions about it and if opportunity presents itself, they may do independent research on the matter. This allows them to grow in knowledge, but also to know where to search for answers. It might spark even more curiosity, and they will continue to search.

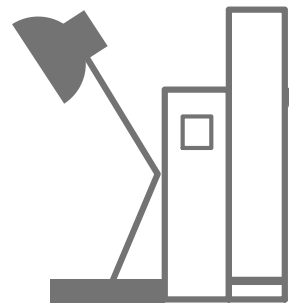


## TEACHES COMMUNICATION

When children read, they find new words that can used in future communication. The communication could be verbal or written. You can always tell the difference when you read a piece of work written by a student who reads outside of school and one who doesn't. The text from a reader is rich in good vocabulary, whereas the other one has basic language.

## GIVES THEM QUIET TIME

It is important to have quiet time because it teaches children to be happy in their own company and to know it is okay to sit and focus on a task at hand. It will also develop their listening skills because they have the ability to sit quietly and focus.



## INSPIRES THEM TO THINK

Thinking is important, regardless of what you child wants to do in life. Obviously, we want them to achieve the best in their exams first and for that, they need to think. By reading, children acquire different information, with different perspectives or ways in which the information may be presented. They learn to think critically, rationally, emotionally, empathically and so on. These skills that will be useful in exams.

## BROADENS THEIR MINDS

By learning new information, their brain is stretched and therefore able to allow more experiences and ideas to flow. It empowers them to feel confident because of the knowledge they will have attained. They may even feel confident enough to share because they have knowledge their peers may not have.



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