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# The Joy of Reading

We learn to read at a young age. The sounds, the shapes, and meanings of the words are taught to us beginning in kindergarten. Reading is an important skill, one that we all need more and more as we get older. We read to understand, we read to accomplish a task, and we read for enjoyment. Finding a good book that pulls us in right away to a world that engages all our senses and leaves us wanting more is fun, and it is also good for us. When we read about other people involved in the same struggles we have, we can learn and grow. Reading is an inexpensive hobby. We can go on an imagination vacation by visiting the local library. The choices of good books are abundant. We can read mysteries, comedy, touching drama, or comic books. Every time we pick up a book, we learn something. Reading also helps build our vocabulary. Vocabulary is the accumulation of words that we know and understand. Having a good vocabulary is important. The more words we know, the better we can express ourselves. Too often we reach for the television to spend our free time. Watching television is not as beneficial as reading. It doesn't stretch our imaginations, build our vocabularies, or teach as much as a good book does.

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