

Read to Me Library

Several of our students are not being read to at home. We wanted to develop a program to allow these students to participate in the reading program. By taping the books, the students can listen to the story without the help of a parent. They can take the AR (Accelerated Reading) tests on the computer to develop comprehension and earn points along with their peers.

Curriculum/State Standard

The student will listen to simple stories and retell.
 The student will listen to/answer questions, predict an event or outcome, find the main idea, or identify sequence.
 The student will enjoy being read to by others.
 The student will demonstrate use of the computer.

Overview

The students are able to take a book bag home that contains a book, recorded tape of the story, cassette player, and a stuffed animal. The student can listen to the recorded story and then take an AR (Accelerated Reading) test on the computer at school the next day to check for comprehension.

Objectives

- The student will listen to a story on tape while looking at the corresponding book.
- The student will verbally answer questions about the book with their parents.
- The student will successfully complete an Accelerated Reader Test on the computer, checking comprehension of the book the following day at school.

Materials

Book totes to carry the materials home, Accelerated Reader books or other books, cassette players with batteries, tapes with recorded stories, and stuffed animals to cuddle while reading.

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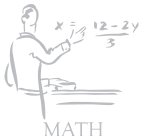
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ARTS



LANGUAGE



MATH

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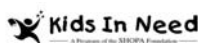
SOCIAL STUDIES

On-Going

WEEKS

\$900

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“Read to Me Library” project continued...

Readiness Activity

The students will listen to stories on tape while looking at the accompanying book. They will take an AR test the following day at school to check for comprehension.

Strategies/Activities

The Read to Me library will be explained to the parents at the beginning of the year meeting. They will sign a contract stating their commitment to their child's efforts in reading.

The students will then check out tape players and books from the Read To Me library. Selected AR books will have a teacher made cassette tape with them.

The students will take the books and tapes home to listen to them. The child's parent will quiz the child using a list of questions at the back of each book. The tape player, book, and tape will be returned within a week.

The student will then take the AR test on the school computer. The results will be sent home for the parents and logged in the computer.

The students will take another book and tape home after taking the AR test on the previous book. The students will be encouraged to share their favorite page during circle time to encourage interest in their book. A space for illustrations about their books will be available for students wishing to draw a picture about their book.

This cycle will continue itself until all the books and tapes have been read and tested. This project will allow these pre-readers to participate in a literary action. Many of our students have working parents who do not have the time to read at home as much as needed.

This project will also allow the child whose parent does not have the time to read to him/her to enjoy a story at home. This project can easily be continued for many years with the existing materials.

Culminating Activity

The students will be awarded points according to the number of books read and percentage of mastery. At the end of each grading period, the students are allowed to spend their points at the AR (Accelerated Reader) bookstore where they can purchase prizes. The AR points and prizes reinforce the students' efforts in reading.

Evaluation

The AR test taken on the computer will evaluate the level of understanding gained from listening to the tape and viewing the accompanying book. A record can be kept to track the progress of the student throughout the year. Eighty percent or above is mastery.