

the need

Literacy is the most important tool to ensure a child's success. Especially for disadvantaged children, literacy unlocks opportunities and provides a chance to escape the cycle of poverty.

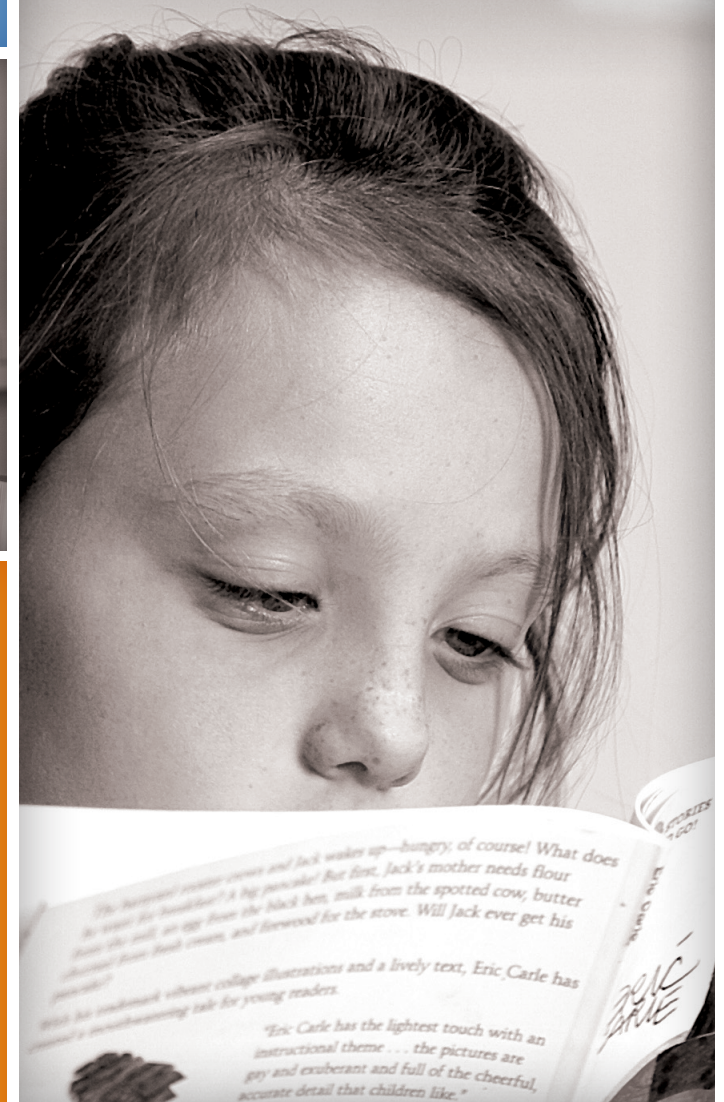
Yet, in California, only 1 in 3 fourth graders can read proficiently, and 88% of fourth graders in low-income families are reading below grade level.†

As these kids progress through school, the problem escalates. Learning in every subject is tied to reading. By high school, 1 in 4 students in California will drop out.*

Help empower over 1,000 children in low-income communities



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† 2007 National Assessment of Educational Progress.
* California Department of Education.

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you can help

Reading Partners is a nonprofit organization that matches volunteers like you with struggling young readers. With as little as one hour a week, you can help a disadvantaged child who has fallen behind achieve success and thrive with self confidence.

The best experience of my life – other than raising my own children.

Judie Fernandez,
Volunteer, Retiree



just 30 hours of tutoring can help a student advance an entire grade level

- Compared to their peers, Reading Partners students gained twice as much ground in reading and were three times more likely to attain grade level.
- On average, with **25 hours** of tutoring, students advanced an entire grade level in reading skills.

One-on-one volunteer opportunities:
9 AM to 5 PM, Monday through Thursday

It doesn't matter if you're a high school student looking for community service hours or a retiree with some extra time--you don't need any previous experience to volunteer.

With our easy online orientation, in-school training, and easy-to-follow curriculum provided, you'll be equipped to work one-on-one with a student. Your caring attention, encouragement and belief in your student's abilities might be the difference between a student dropping out of high school or graduating from college.

The one-on-one time that volunteers give is something critical I can't provide in class.

Ms. Leep,
Third Grade Teacher



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one tutor. one child. infinite possibilities.