


## New year, new skills! Supporting reading growth in 2023

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### Start the second half of school year strong with a Reading Checkup



Start the second half of the school year strong with a [Reading Checkup](#) for your PreK-3rd grade child!

After your child takes two quick quizzes, the free online tool tells you their current reading level and provides an individual reading plan and literacy-building activities to try at home. Your child can retake the quizzes every six weeks, so you can check progress and get new recommended activities based on their growth.

**Get started**

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### The Early Years: Reading resources for birth to 5

If your child isn't ready for a Reading Checkup yet (PreK-3rd grade), there's still lots you can do now to help them be ready for Kindergarten-level reading work when they start school.

- **Birth-2:** It's never too early to foster a love of reading. Read, rhyme, and sing with your child at this age.
- **Ages 2-4:** Keep reading with your child, and focus on early literacy skills like the ABCs and the sounds letters make.

Check out [The Early Years](#) section of ReadingCheckup.org for more on these and other tips by age group.

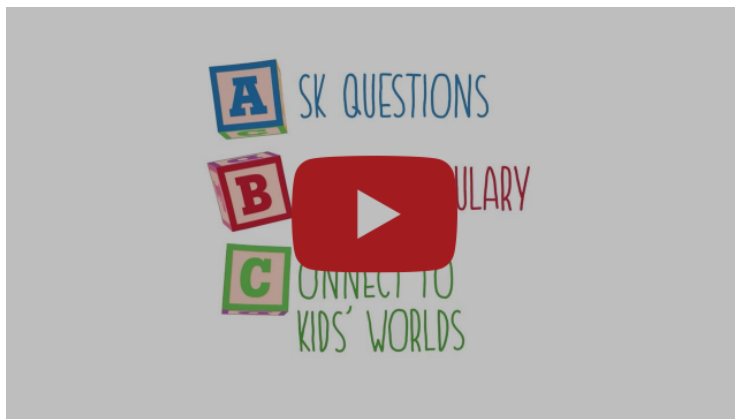
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### Make Active Reading part of your 2023 routine

Did you know the Charlotte Mecklenburg Library hosts free Active Reading workshops for families every month?

You can get fun ideas and activities for supporting early literacy at home with [Active Reading](#), which is a way to read with kids, rather than to them, to boost vocabulary and comprehension skills.

This month's virtual event is scheduled for Jan. 25 at 10 a.m., and is geared toward families with children ages 2-5. [Click here to register.](#)



The ABCs of Active Reading

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### Volunteer opportunity: Become a tutor



As the second half of the school year gets underway, many students still need tutors.

Local tutoring organizations are looking for volunteers to tutor students in reading or math. Visit [TutorCharlotte.org](http://TutorCharlotte.org) to sign up today!

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