

Our annual report, a new blog, and more!



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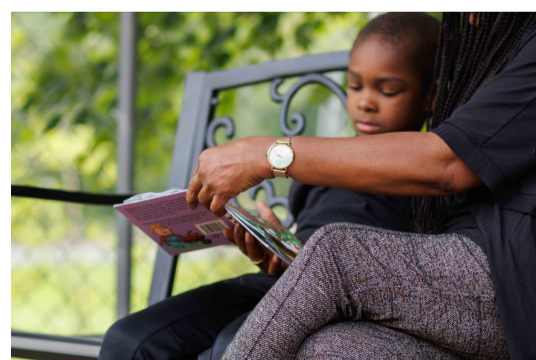
Read Charlotte's 2023 Annual Report

We're excited to share our [2023 Annual Report](#), highlighting our work over the past year, as well as some of the work of our many incredible partners. We were inspired every step of the way through 2023 by the collaboration and partnership happening across Mecklenburg County to improve early literacy. We look forward to building on that momentum with our partners and our community in 2024.



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Why Read Charlotte is adding a focus on listening comprehension in 2024



Over the past year, the Read Charlotte team dug deeply into recent reading science on reading comprehension. The research findings tell us we must focus on listening comprehension skills alongside word-reading skills to move the needle on early literacy outcomes and close achievement gaps.

Read more about why we're adding a focus on listening comprehension in our [latest blog](#).

Reading Hero: Derrin Gleaton

Meet our newest Reading Hero, Derrin Gleaton.

His journey to becoming a children's book author began with his son, who said he just didn't like reading. Derrin was determined to change that. To help his son better connect with books, he decided to write his own.



Read more about his story [here](#).

Do you know a Reading Hero? Submit a nomination!



IN THE NEWS

- **Charlotte Today:** February 7, 2024: [Today, February 7 is "World Read Aloud Day"](#)
- **QC Life:** February 7, 2024: [Celebrating World Read Aloud Day with Read Together Charlotte](#)



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