

Laying a Foundation for Reading Comprehension in the Preschool Years

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- MomPossible.org (HSLDA Community of Moms)
- HSLDA Toddlers to Tweens Consultant, Vicki Bentley, www.hsllda.org/earlyyears
- Not Consumed, Kim Sorgius, www.notconsumed.com/blog
- Kristy Clover, Raising Clovers blog, www.kristiclover.com
- Colleen Kessler, <https://raisinglifelonglearners.com/>
- SPED Homeschool

Curricula Ideas for Pre-School/Emergent and Early Readers:

- A Year of Playing Skillfully
- Five In A Row
- My Father's World
- Heart of Dakota
- Memoria Press, Simply Classical
- Timberdoodle.com
- Master Books

Resources:

- *Beyond Bedtime Stories: A Parent's Guide to Promoting Reading, Writing, and Other Literacy Skills from Birth to 5* by V. Susan Bennett-Armistead, Nell Duke, and Annie Moses
- *Growing Up Reading: Learning to Read Through Creative Play* by Jill Frankel Hauser
- *Starting with Comprehension: Reading Strategies for the Youngest Readers* by Andie Cunningham and Ruth Shagoury
- *Slow and Steady, Get Me Ready* by June Oberlander
- *Reading Comprehension Instructional Activities* by Kristen and William Eckenwiler
- *Honey for the Child's Heart* by Gladys Hunt
- *Read for the Heart* (Apologia)
- *Read Aloud Handbook* by Jim Trelease
- *The Three R's* by Ruth Beechick
- *Mommy Teach Me to Read* by Barbara Curtis
- *Building the Reading Brain, Pre-K-3* by Patricia Wolfe and Pamela Nevills
- *7 Keys to Comprehension* by Susan Zimmerman & Chryse Hutchins

Assessments and Progress Monitoring:

- Brigance Test Kits available, <https://store.hsllda.org/brigance-c315.aspx>, Early Inventory of Development
- Identifying Why Your Child Is Struggling:
- https://hsllda.org/content/strugglinglearner/sn_checklists.asp
- Home School Testing Service, <https://homeschooltestingservices.com/>
- Seton Testing, <https://www.setontesting.com/>

“Top Picks” Special Needs Resources:

- *Different: The Story of An Outside-the-Box Kid And the Mom Who Loved Him* by Nathan and Sally Clarkson, www.store.hsllda.org
- *A Beautiful Education for Any Child* by Cheryl Swope
- *Homeschooling Children with Special Needs* by Sharon Hensley
- *Flourish* by Mary Jo Tate
- *7 Tools for Cultivating Your Child’s Potential* by Zan Tyler
- *Homeschooling the Challenging Child* by Christine Field

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