

7 Stories and Reading



Intro to Kindergarten Teaching

Section 5.2: Reading Time

When students begin learning to read, it can be difficult. Here are some ways to make reading fun.

Story time is a great way to get students excited about books. When reading, **hold up** the book so everyone can see. The pictures help students understand the story better.

Try doing a **book walk** with your students. Have them **predict** what happens in a story without reading. This will make them excited to hear you read it. Next time, they'll see if the predictions were right.

Even though they may not read well, kindergarten students enjoy **reading circles**. Choose several different books from the **class library**. **Display** these books on a table. Let students **flip through** the books. After they **preview** the books, they can decide what to read. Students that **select** the same book form a reading circle. Each student will read a page from the book. After reading a story, **discuss** it with your class. Reading is easier and more fun as a team!

Get ready!

- 1 Before you read the passage, talk about these questions.
 - 1 How is reading taught in your country?
 - 2 What are some ways to make learning to read fun?

Reading

- 2 Read the textbook excerpt. Then, choose the correct answers.
 - 1 What is the purpose of the textbook excerpt?
 - A to explain a method of teaching how to read
 - B to describe ways to make reading fun
 - C to inform teachers of a change in story time policy
 - D to encourage students to read more
 - 2 Which of the following is NOT mentioned in the textbook excerpt?
 - A how to form a reading circle
 - B how to do a book walk
 - C what to do if a student does not want to read
 - D how to hold a book during story time
 - 3 According to the textbook excerpt, why should students preview the reading circle books?
 - A so they know the story
 - B to practice reading
 - C so they are more excited for the story
 - D so they can decide what they want to read

Vocabulary

- 3 Read the sentence pairs. Choose the sentence that uses the underlined part correctly.
 - 1 A Teachers should not read the words when they do book walks.
B Preview is a great way to read to students.
 - 2 A This book is too display for students.
B Story time is the students' favorite part of the day.
 - 3 A The students couldn't predict what happened next in the story.
B The teacher read the discuss to the class every year.
 - 4 A If students flip through the book, it is easier to read the words.
B Students enjoy reading together in a reading circle.
 - 5 A Let students preview the books before choosing one.
B Students should class library every day.