

Five steps to Early Literacy

READ

SING

PLAY

TALK

WRITE

EVERYDAY!

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Ready to Read Resource Center



The foundation
for reading
begins at birth



About the Center

The [Ready to Read Resource Center](#) is an Anchorage Public Library project that promotes Early Literacy development throughout Alaska by providing reading kits to families and those who work with infants and toddlers statewide.

To achieve this mission, the Center:

LOANS FREE READING KITS

that are checked out just like any other library material. Kits are sent statewide.

OFFERS FREE TRAININGS about early literacy to groups of parents, early childhood educators, daycare providers, and university students.

Lists of Reading Kits

Visit www.ReadyToReadAK.org to look at the different types of kits, get a listing of themes for the reading kit bags, and check availability of kits.

There are FOUR types of reading kits:

Lapsit Bags
Read with Me Bags

Ready to Read Tubs
Read to Me at Home Tubs

Lapsit Bags

Themed bag with 5-6 books, a puppet, and music CD.
Three week loan.



Read With Me Bags

Themed bag with 10 board books, a toy, and activity cards.
Three week loan.



Ready to Read Tubs

40-50 board and picture books, a resource guide and DVD for adults.
Six week loan.
Renewable.



Read to Me at Home Tubs

10 small bags - each with three board books.
Six week loan.
Renewable.



Borrowing Reading Kits

Reading kits are housed at Loussac Library in Anchorage, but they are available to Alaskan residents and organizations.



IN ANCHORAGE

Materials can be checked out through any Anchorage Public Library location.

OUTSIDE OF ANCHORAGE

Contact your local community library to request materials. Libraries should contact APL's Interlibrary Loan Dept to request kits.

OUTSIDE OF ANCHORAGE WITH NO LIBRARY

If you live in a community without a library, contact the Coordinator to borrow kits.

Stamps for return postage are provided.

Trainings

The Center offers free trainings on Early Literacy for those interested in fostering a love of reading in young children.

Trainings share simple, practical ways to encourage the development of pre-reading skills in infants and toddlers. Upon request, trainings can be tailored to your group.

Contact the Coordinator to discuss setting up a training.