

## WHY READ FOR 20 MINUTES A DAY?

STUDENT A	STUDENT B	STUDENT C
20 MINUTES PER DAY	5 MINUTES PER DAY	1 MINUTE PER DAY
1,800,000 WORDS PER YEAR	282,000 WORDS PER YEAR	8,000 WORDS PER YEAR
SCORES IN THE 90 <sup>TH</sup> PERCENTILE ON STANDARDIZED TESTS	SCORES IN THE 50 <sup>TH</sup> PERCENTILE ON STANDARDIZED TESTS	SCORES IN THE 10 <sup>TH</sup> PERCENTILE ON STANDARDIZED TESTS

*What's the difference between kids who read more than 30 minutes per day and those who read less than 15 minutes per day? **Twelve million.** Between kindergarten and twelfth grade, students with an average daily reading time of 30+ minutes are projected to encounter 13.7 million words. At graduation, their peers who averaged less than 15 minutes of reading per day are likely to be exposed to only 1.5 million words. The difference is more than 12 million words.*

*-[Renaissance](#), The Long Term Effects of Reading Practice*