

Family Reading Conversations

As your child reads books with *Scholastic Literacy Pro*, use these questions to spark reading conversations and meaningful discussions at home. Students can always take an optional Think More for a book if it is available, but discussing the book together **before, during, and after** reading will enhance critical thinking and build a love for reading! Pro Tip: Reading the book that your child is talking about will allow you to engage in deeper conversations.

 **Before Reading:** Prompt your child to think about what he or she already knows about the topic, and what the book might be about. This engages prior knowledge.

What do you notice on the cover of this book?

What do you think this book will be about?

What do you already know about this topic?

 **During Reading:** While you read the book with your child, help him or her think critically about the story or topic by calling out important details and asking questions.

Fiction

Who is the main character?

Describe the character.

What do you think is going to happen next?

Why do you say that?

What does this image tell you?

What do you notice?

Nonfiction

What is this book about?

What are you learning, so far?

Have you seen or heard about something like this in real life?

What does this image say about the topic?

What does it help you understand?

 **After Reading:** Once the book is complete, help your child summarize and reflect on what he or she just read to emphasize the theme or main idea. Rereading is always recommended!

Fiction

How did this story make you feel?

Did you like the story?

Why or why not?

What did the character learn in this story?

Nonfiction

What is one new thing you learned?

Did this book change your mind about something?

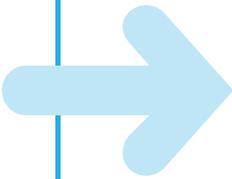
What questions do you still have?

Would you want your friends to read this book, too? Why or why not?

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After reading and discussing a book:

- 1 If it's a *Literacy Pro* ebook, the reading minutes are automatically recorded in the program! If it's a paperback book, students have to manually record it in their Reading Log. [Watch this video](#) or [read this cheat sheet](#) to learn how.
- 2 For any book, your child must check off the box that says "I finished this book" in order for it to count as completed. [Watch this video](#) or [read this cheat sheet](#) to learn how.
- 3 Finally, your child can rate the book according to how much he or she liked it, and write a book review in *Literacy Pro*.



More discussion prompts:

Make a connection between this book and another book or movie.

Make a connection between this book and your own life.

Make a connection between this book and the world.



More writing prompts:

Write an alternate ending to this book.

What if the story were to continue? **Write** what would happen next.

Create a blogpost or social media post about this topic. **What** would you want other people to know?

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To further encourage reading, check out this fun, free, and safe summer reading program for kids.

By creating an account on *Home Base*, kids can join a community of readers and will be able to read more books, play book-based games and activities, join dance parties, and more!

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Dear Parent or Caregiver,

We are thrilled to inform you that your child will have access to *Scholastic Literacy Pro* this summer! *Literacy Pro* is a reading program with more than 2,500 ebooks that kids love, a reading recommendation engine, goal-setting, and more to motivate your child to read all summer long! Ask your child's teacher for specific instructions on how to log in. But first, here is everything you need to know:

Literacy Pro is flexible.

The program has ebooks that students can read immediately, as well as the option to read paperback books from anywhere and **manually record minutes in the Reading Log!** Students can rate and review anything they read, and take a Think More quiz, if available.



Literacy Pro gives students choice.

The first time students log in, they take an Interest Survey that helps the program recommend books they would like. Interests can be updated at any time in a student's profile, and students can always use the Book Search filters to explore.



Literacy Pro builds student ownership.

Kids set their own reading goals and work toward them each week. Research shows that the amount a child reads is the most important predictor of school success. We recommend reading **at least five days per week, 20 minutes per day.**



Getting Familiar:

Download these fun, family-friendly activities and get to know the program with your child!

-  The **Literacy Pro Scavenger Hunt** will guide you and your child through your first time in the program.
-  Print **Literacy Pro Summer BINGO** and hang it up on the refrigerator for a fun reading checklist!
-  Be sure to take a few minutes and watch the **Literacy Pro Family Video** for an overview about the program.



Technical Notes:

The best learning experience will be on an **iPad, Android tablet, laptop** or **Chromebook** with the **latest browsers and software** installed. Scholastic subscriptions **do not work** on Internet Explorer or e-reader/app-specific devices, such as Kindles and LeapPads.

If you're having trouble accessing *Literacy Pro* or any other Scholastic digital program, please search for instructions to clear the cache or browsing data on your device..

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Dear Family

Follow our Top 5 Tips to Encourage Reading at Home:



Create time and space for learning. For many children, scheduling a designated reading period allows them to stay focused and look forward to independent reading. Help your child find a special reading nook to minimize distractions.

Talk about reading. Having conversations about books can cultivate your child's overall literacy skills and build a lifelong love of reading. Use [Literacy Pro's Family Reading Conversations](#) sheet to ask questions before, during, and after reading!

Open up possibilities. Provide your child with [Literacy Pro's Offline Reading Log](#) so that he or she can add reading minutes from paperback books, magazines, or anywhere else to the sheet and log them into the program at a later time.

Support a culture of reading. Gather the family and read a Literacy Pro ebook together. Some ebooks have read-aloud audio that you can follow along with. Don't hesitate to click on a word that your child is confused about to see its definition!

Get involved with Literacy Pro. Track, monitor, and celebrate achievements together!

Two highlights you won't want to miss:

Ask your child to show you the **"My Books"** screen and get to know which books interest your child.



Ask to see your child's **"Profile"** and check on his or her reading progress in *Literacy Pro*.

Good To Know About:

Assessments:

If your child's teacher decided to assign the **Scholastic Reading Readiness** or **Scholastic Reading Measure** on *Literacy Pro*, it will show up as soon as your child logs in, even if it is for the first time. These assignments are meant to be completed independently.

Please note: While it is best to complete the assessment(s) in one sitting, the program will save your child's spot if he or she needs to log out, take a break, and return to it later.

Comprehension Checks:

There are Think More comprehension checks for **every** ebook on *Literacy Pro* as well as thousands of paperback titles. Your child's teacher may or may not ask them to complete Think Mores for the books they read.



Checking on your knowledge of a text is good practice for readers to build confidence and deepen comprehension! A student can retake a Think More, and the teacher will see all of the responses.

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