# Why read 20 minutes at home every day? 



## Student " $\mathbf{A}^{\prime \prime}$ reads:

(1) 20 min. per day
= 3,600 min. per school year
= 1,800,000 words per year
$\checkmark$ Scores in the 90th
percentile on standardized tests



Student "B" reads:
C. 5 min. per day
= 900 min . per school year
$=282,000$ words per year
$\checkmark$ Scores in the 50th percentile on standardized tests



Student "C" reads:
C1 1 min. per day = 180 min . per school year
= 8,000 words per year
$\checkmark$ Scores in the 10th percentile on standardized tests


If a student starts reading 20 minutes per night at home in kindergarten, by the end of 6th grade, Student A will have read for the equivalent of 60 school days, Student B will have read for 12 school days, and Student $C$ will have read for 3 school days. This gap in reading experience and resulting vocabulary knowledge adds up over time.

