

## PROFESSIONAL RESOURCES CONTINUED

### Read, Write, Think

[www.readwritethink.org](http://www.readwritethink.org)

Provides educators, parents, and afterschool professionals with access to the highest quality practices in reading and language arts instruction by offering the very best in free materials.

### Scholastic Teachables

[www.scholastic.com/premium/readingcomprehensionworksheets.html](http://www.scholastic.com/premium/readingcomprehensionworksheets.html)

Reading worksheets for classroom use.

### Super Teacher

[www.superteacherworksheets.com/comprehension.html](http://www.superteacherworksheets.com/comprehension.html)

Reading worksheets for classroom use.

**Service changes may have been affected due to  
COVID 19. Please call 2-1-1, or contact  
organizations by phone for service updates.**

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## Community Resources

# LITERACY



*A starting point for finding resources that can  
help improve literacy and reading skills.*



## LOCAL LITERACY RESOURCES AND ORGANIZATIONS

### 2-1-1 Heart of West Michigan United Way

[hwmuw.org/211](http://hwmuw.org/211)  
[hwmuw.org/211-live-chat](http://hwmuw.org/211-live-chat)  
Dial 2-1-1

United Way's 2-1-1 connects people to thousands of services in Kent County. Whoever you are, whatever your needs, 2-1-1 makes it easy to find help for yourself, a neighbor, or a loved one. Please note that 2-1-1 is an information and referral service and does not provide direct services or financial assistance.

### Literacy Center of West Michigan

[literacycenterwm.org](http://literacycenterwm.org) || 616-459-5151  
Provides one-on-one adult tutoring, English classes, family literacy, business, and workplace services and community literacy initiatives.

### Mission Read!

[www.kdl.org/mission-read](http://www.kdl.org/mission-read)  
Mission:Read! is a literacy program collaboratively created between Grand Rapids Public Library, Kent District Library, Literacy Center of West Michigan and Kent ISD to help parents and their children understand and accomplish the new 3rd grade reading requirements. The program objectives include boosting children's reading skills and love for reading, finding the right books for children and helping parents understand their child's Individualized Reading Improvement Plan (IRP).

### SLD Read

[sldread.org](http://sldread.org) || 616-361-1182  
Help individuals with dyslexia, learning differences and other challenges through one-on-one tutoring, assist educators to identify learning challenges and provide training, and increase community awareness and understanding on literacy issues.

### Turning Pages

[turningpages.org](http://turningpages.org) || 616-464-3330  
Provides one-on-one tutoring for children and adults, in reading, writing, and spelling. They also seek to bring awareness to reading disabilities such as dyslexia.

## DOWNLOADABLE APPS

### BC Reading Magic Series

(ages: preschool, early elementary) ABC Reading Magic is a 5 part series of apps that build off each other to improve three core skills of reading - blending, segmenting, and reading. iPhone, iPad - \$1.99 for full, free trial available

### Lectio

(ages: later elementary, middle school, high school, college/adult) Encourages independent reading for students with language related disabilities. iPhone, iPad - \$4.99

## WEB RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES

### Reading Rockets

[readingrockets.org](http://readingrockets.org)  
Spreads the word about reading instruction and presents "what works" in a way that parents and educators can both understand and use.

### Common Lit

[commonlit.org](http://commonlit.org)  
CommonLit delivers high-quality, free instructional materials to support literacy development for students in grades 3-12.

### PBS Parents

[pbs.org/parents/education/reading-language/](http://pbs.org/parents/education/reading-language/)  
This website provides suggestions on how parents can find ways for their kids to have fun with literacy using these great tips, activities and resources.

### KDL Literacy Resources

[kdl.org/school-age](http://kdl.org/school-age)  
KDL curated literacy resources for kids, parents and educators.

### Michigan eLibrary Resources for Kids

[mel.org/kids](http://mel.org/kids)  
Administered by the Library of Michigan with free access for all Michigan residents, the Michigan eLibrary provides learning, playing, and reading resources for kids.

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### American Library Association - Literacy Advocacy

[www.ala.org/advocacy/literacy](http://www.ala.org/advocacy/literacy)  
Includes toolkits and other information for librarians seeking to advance literacy in their communities.

### International Literacy Association Choices Reading Lists

[www.literacyworldwide.org/get-resources/reading-lists](http://www.literacyworldwide.org/get-resources/reading-lists)  
Each year, thousands of children, young adults, and educators around the United States select their favorite recently published books for the Choices Reading Lists.