

Hooking the Reluctant Reader


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Memory Walking: Recalling Our First Experiences With Reading




Portrait of a Reluctant Reader

Use the materials given to you to create a profile of the most reluctant reader in YOUR classroom.



A Literacy Crisis?



1.23 million American students did not graduate last spring. Some predict that this will cost the nation an estimated \$328 billion dollars in lost wages, taxes, and productivity over their lifetime.

According to the National Assessment of Educational Progress panel:
Twelfth grade students performing at or above the basic level has dropped from 80% to 73%.

According to ACT: 49% of high school graduates are not prepared for college-level reading.

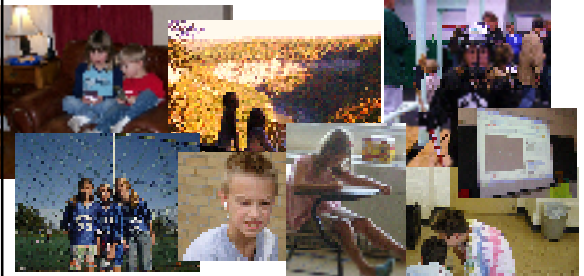
Who Are Reluctant Readers?

Dormant Readers:
Like to read, but do not make time to do so.

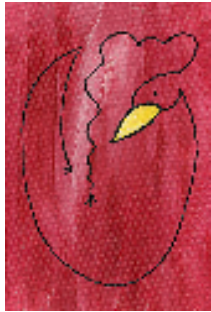
Uncommitted Readers:
Do not like to read, but may eventually.

Unmotivated Readers:
Don't like to read and chances are slim that they ever will

Consider the Paradox:



How did they get there?
How do we engage them?



The Reading Cycle:
Chicken vs. Egg

Motivating Reluctant Readers:

- Attending to Choice: Meaning and Relevance
- Providing Opportunity: Time and Space
- Creating Access: Resources and Ownership

CHOICE: Meaning and Relevance



OPPORTUNITY: TIME AND SPACE



ACCESS: RESOURCES AND OWNERSHIP



Does Gender Play a Role?
A Text-Based Study



Redefining "Quality" Reading



CENSORSHIP:

Rights, Responsibilities,
and
Reasonable Practices

Building a Community of Readers



Helping Remedial Readers

- Offer a range of reading materials
- Identify reading levels
- Use pre-reading techniques
- Teach fix-up strategies
- Include large print texts
- Include visuals
- Engage multiple modalities
- Teach vocabulary

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