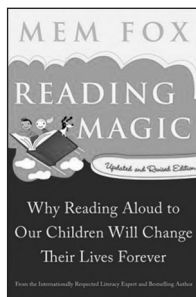




Reading Recovery
Resources for Parents

Book Review



*Reading Magic: Why Reading Aloud
to Our Children Will Change Their
Lives Forever*

by Mem Fox
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Reading Magic

by Mem Fox

Here's an engaging and easy-to-read book for parents that explains both the importance of reading aloud to kids at home AND clearly and simply explains how children learn to read.

Mem Fox, the author of over 30 books for children, uses her skills as a storyteller to draw the reader into the world of early literacy. A parent herself, she shares countless stories of children and parents interacting with books in joyful and pleasurable settings. She provides concrete, hands-on advice for how to fully engage both child and parent in the read-aloud experience.

Additionally, she helps parents understand Reading Recovery in the chapters detailing the "secrets of reading":

- The 1st Secret of Reading:
The Magic of Print
- The 2nd Secret of Reading:
The Magic of Language
- The 3rd Secret of Reading:
The Magic of General Knowledge

These provide an entirely user-friendly explanation of the perspective from which Reading Recovery teachers work!

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