



## "Why Can't I Skip My 20 Minutes of Reading Tonight?"



Did you know one of the most prominent indicators of a successful reader is the amount of time spent actually reading?!

Student A reads 20 minutes 5 nights of every week.  
Student B reads only 4 minutes a night or not at all!

Step 1: Multiply minutes a night  $\times$  5 times each week  
Student A reads 100 minutes a week.  
Student B reads 20 minutes a week.

Step 2: Multiply minutes a week  $\times$  4 weeks each month.  
Student A reads 400 minutes a month.  
Student B reads 80 minutes a month.

Step 3: Multiply minutes a month  $\times$  9 months for the school year  
Student A reads 3600 minutes in a school year.  
Student B reads 720 minutes in a school year.

Student A practices reading the equivalent of ten whole school days a year.  
Student B gets the equivalent of only two school days of reading practice.

By the end of 6<sup>th</sup> grade if Student A and Student B maintain these same reading habits: Student A will have read the equivalent of 60 whole schools days.  
Student B will have read the equivalent of only 12 school days.

Which do you think will be the more successful reader?