

## LITERACY TIPS

1. Model reading for pleasure.
2. Ask your child about what he/she is reading in school.
3. Subscribe to a newspaper and/or magazine.
4. Discuss favourite books (new and older) with your child.
5. Visit a local book store to browse with your child.
6. Apply for a library card; ensure that your child has one also.
7. Visit the School Library's home page to explore the databases, sites, and reviewed books from home at <http://w3.dpcdsb.org/RFHALL/Library>
8. Visit the Public Library's home page from home at [www.caledon.library.on.ca](http://www.caledon.library.on.ca). Check for available book titles and reserve books from home. Check the numerous databases and links offered by the Public Library.
9. Give a Chapters/Indigo/Coles gift card or local book store gift certificate to your child on special occasions.
10. Subscribe your child to a magazine of his or her choice that reflects his or her interests. e.g. Sports Illustrated, Hockey News, Flare, Faze. etc.
11. Have various types of reading materials available at home e.g. novels, non-fiction, comic strip anthologies, comic books, graphic novels, periodicals.

## LITERACY TIPS FOR STUDENTS

### *How can students prepare for the OSSLT?*

There are a variety of materials available to help students prepare for the OSSLT. Helpful resources can be found on the EQAO Website:

<http://www.eqao.com/Students/students.aspx?status=logout&Lang=E>

Follow these links:

- Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test
- Getting Ready Guide
- Released 2009 OSSLT Items (with answer key)
- Planning and Preparation Guide.

Also, please ask your Teacher Librarian for hardcopy resources to help you to practice for the test.

The OSSLT will be written on April 8, 2010.

Successful completion is a graduation requirement.



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*Literacy  
Resources  
for  
Parents*

## LITERACY BOOKS

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Improving Adolescent Literacy : Strategies at Work	428.40712 FIS
I Won't Read and You Can't Make Me	428.40712 REY
Empire of Illusion : the End of Literacy and the Triumph of Spectacle	302.23 HED
Even Hockey Players Read: Boys, Literacy and Reading	428.4071 BOO
Read This! Why Books Matter	820.71071 REA
To Be a Boy, To Be a Reader: Engaging Teen and Preteen Boys in Active Literacy	428.40712 BRO
In Defence of Plain English: The Decline and Fall of Literacy in Canada	302.2 BRA
Visual Messages: Integrating Imagery Into Instruction	371.335 CON
High Low Handbook: Best Books and Web Sites for Reluctant Teen Readers	027.626LIB

### PRACTICE WORKBOOKS

Literacy Power:Extreme Experiences,Communication,Disasters,Media & Popular Culture,Your Future,Your World,Justice	379.24 LIT
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The Grade 10 Test for Reading and Writing	371.262 MOO

### CALEDON PUBLIC LIBRARY

The ABC's of Literacy : Preparing our Children for Lifelong Learning	372.452 Dol
Bridge to Literacy : no child—or—adult left behind	302.2244 Cor
Literacy Techniques for Building Successful Readers and Writers	372.416 Lit
Every Child Ready to Read: Literacy Tips for Parents	372.414 Eve
Even Hockey Players Read: Boys, Literacy and Reading	428.4071 Boo
Growing a Reader From Birth: Your Child's Path from Language to Literacy	372.4 McGU
How to Make Your Child a Reader for Life	649.58 Kro 2000
The Reading Solution	649.58 Kro



A book is a gift you can open again and again.

~Garrison Keillor~

The more that you read,  
the more things you will know.

The more that you learn,  
the more places you'll go.

~Dr. Seuss~

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~Rita Mae Brown~.

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