

Mr. Birdsall's 100 Word Review

Reading Magic

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There are few risk-free investments. Luckily, Mem Fox points us to one in *Reading Magic*: READ ALOUD TO YOUR KIDS.

While the concept of reading aloud seems simple, there are pitfalls to avoid and some best practices worth incorporating into your reading rituals. Mem also reminds us that learning to read, write and communicate needs to be fun and goes way beyond books.

Although not research based, this anecdotal handbook clearly and convincingly explains the Why-To's and How-To's of reading to children. With a twofold payoff of effective long-term language development and stronger family bonds, where's the downside?

