





Dear Churchill Community,

My name is Brittany Barnes and this is my third year serving as the Librarian at Churchill. I am so excited to be back! My passion is to help everyone discover a love for literacy and I look forward to working with families, teachers, and students this year. My door is always open and I am happy to help! Please visit the Churchill Library Website for tons of reading resources, updates on library events, summer reading lists, pictures, and more. I will be updating this website throughout the year: libraryatchurchill.weebly.com.

Helpful Tips on Improving Reading Fluency at Home Readers become fluent from:

- 1. Explicit instruction, feedback, and guidance
 - 2. Practicing with appropriate texts

Some of my favorite reading strategies include: repeated reading (re-reading the same passage or book until desired fluency is reached), paired reading (strong readers reading alongside hesitant readers), choral reading (many readers reading the same passage or text aloud in unison), and echo reading (an adult reading a sentence or two at a time and the student re-reads the selection). It also helps to practice high frequency words and common phonetic patterns, habitually. There are so many fun ways to practice! Ask me how! ①

My Favorite Reading Website

Epic!

Epic is a one stop shop for e-books, audio books, and read-tome books! With books on topics from Pinkalicious to Pro Wrestlers, you cannot go wrong with this website! This website offers all types of books from picture books to chapter books to comic books. You can use Epic on your computer, phone, or iPad... Just download the app! The best part? It's free! Age range 2-12

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Student B Reads 20 minutes per day I minute per day 5 minutes per day 3,600 minutes per school year 180 minutes per school year 900 minutes per school year 282,000 words per year 8,000 words per year Scores in the 90th percentile Scores in the 50th percentile Scores in the 10th percentile on standardized tests. on standardized tests. on standardized tests. f a student starts reading for 20 minutes per night in Kindergarten, by the end of 6th grade, Student A will have read for the equivalent of 60 school days, Student B will have read for 12 school days, and Student C will have read for 3

WANT TO BE A BETTER READER? SIMPLY READ