



# Parent Webinar Series

Thanks for joining us for our webinar: *Reading Aloud with Children*. We hope you found the information from our speakers helpful and learned new techniques that will help you take story time to the next level! Below are additional resources related to reading aloud and storytelling that can help your family create a reading culture in your home. If you'd like to continue the conversation about reading at home, join us on the [Bright Horizons Online Community](#).

## **BRIGHT HORIZONS RESOURCES:**

- [Bright Horizons Growing Readers Online](#)  
*Bright Horizons' online destination for recommended children's books and reading activities to foster early literacy at home.*
- [Growing Readers: Humorous Children's Books](#)  
*What makes your child(ren) laugh? Here are our favorite funny kid's books.*
- [eFamily News: Time for Bed- Let's Read!](#)  
*Bedtime is a great opportunity to read to your children. Here are some tips for engaging infants, toddlers and preschoolers with books.*
- [Family Room Blog: Teaching Manners & Good Behavior with Books](#)  
*Books can help parents communicate values and lessons that strengthen children's social and emotional development.*
- [Bright Horizons' Growing Readers Pinterest Board](#)  
*Get inspired by some of our favorite at-home reading resources.*

## **BAREFOOT BOOKS RESOURCES:**

- [Living Barefoot Blog: Seven Storytelling Secrets with Author Lari Don](#)  
*Telling a story without a book as a safety net can seem daunting, but it's a wonderful way to share a story. Lari Don shares the secrets to effective storytelling.*
- [Living Barefoot Blog: Six Tips for Reading to Babies](#)  
*Tessa Strickland, Barefoot Books Co-founder and Editor-in-Chief shares six easy ways to ensure books are a part of a child's world right from the start.*
- [Barefoot Books Online—For Kids!](#)  
*A special part of Barefoot's website for kids, dedicated to inspiring creativity and exploration. Watch and sing along with animated videos, download fun activities, a storytime podcast and more!*
- [Barefoot Books Online Store](#)—Shop by midnight 11/19/13 using discount code '**BRIGHTHORIZONS**' and receive **25% off** your order!



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## ADDITIONAL READING ALOUD RESOURCES:

- [Facts About Children's Literacy](#) by the National Education Association  
*Consolidated research findings that support the benefit of reading to children at home from an early age.*
- [10 Read Aloud Commandments](#) by Children's Author Mem Fox.  
*Mem Fox is a retired Associate Professor of Literacy Studies and Australia's most highly regarded picture-book author. Several of her books have been selected by the Bright Horizons Growing Readers Review Committee as Books of Excellence.*
- [Bond through Reading: An Interview with Mem Fox](#)  
*An interview with renowned children's author about the importance of reading aloud with children. Published by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) in 2012.*
- [Trelease on Reading](#)—official website of Jim Trelease, author of 'The Read Aloud Handbook'.
- [Storyline Online](#)  
*A collection of videos of celebrities reading various children's books, presented by the Screen Actors Guild.*
- [Start With a Book](#)—Reading Aloud resources by ReadingRockets.org  
*Start with a Book offers parents, caregivers, summer program staff and librarians lots of engaging ideas for getting kids hooked on reading, exploring and learning all summer long — and beyond.*
- [Read Aloud Dad](#)  
*A blog started by a father of twins, dedicated to reviewing high quality children's literature.*
- [Reading with Bean](#)  
*A children's literature blog, written by a first-time mom and former elementary school teacher. Lori shares book recommendations, story time activities and 'book notes' that provide synopses and resources to help you prepare for read aloud sessions.*