

## DAD'S CAN READ

Dad's, this is a note especially for you.

Reading to your kids is vital. I am sure that you know how important you are, but it is vital for YOU to be one of the people who do the regular reading to your children. Reading to the children is not just the domain of the mothers and the grandparents or older brothers and sisters. It is also an activity that dads should be involved in. Every child knows that there is no one who does a growly bear voice better than dad (sorry mums)!

And it is never too early to start reading to your children. This is an activity that you can do with them from the moment they are born right through their primary school years – even into their high school years, although they probably would not like that known around their peers.

Kids are great copiers so dads (and mums) if you want your kids to be fluent readers then let the kids see you reading too. Read the newspaper. Read the magazines. Read the letters and don't forget to make sure that your children see you read a fantastic book too ... nothing is better than reading our wonderful Australian books!

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