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TIP SHEET TEMPLATE

1. TOPIC, CHALLENGE OR QUESTION TO BE ADDRESSED

To obtain books for fathers to read to their children

2. KEY WORDS/GLOSSARY (with definitions)

Nonprofit - not making or conducted primarily to make a profit

Donation - something that is given to a charity, especially a sum of money

Publisher - a person or company that prepares and issues books, journals, music, or other works for sale

Distribution - the action of sharing something out among a number of recipients

3. RELEVANT FACT/RESEARCH/STATISTICS (within current year)

According to <https://www.telegraph.co.uk/men/fatherhood/five-reasons-why-dads-should-read-to-their-children-more/>, here are the five reasons why dads should all read to their children: Dads take stories to another level, bedtime stories lead to better real life stories, boys especially benefit from Dad's tales, books build better behaved kids, and Dads destress when reading aloud.

4. REFERENCES

https://www.fatherhood.gov/sites/default/files/webinar/slides/nrfc_webinar_slides_july_2015_final_508c.pdf

<http://www.dil.org/fatherhood-revolution-mens-everyday-role-fight-gender-equality/>

<http://www.readingrockets.org/article/role-fathers-their-childs-literacy-development-pre-k>

5. TIPS/STRATEGIES/SUGGESTIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS

- Read every day, no matter what you read (books, magazines, comics, blogs, etc.)
- Read words aloud to your children
- Reading with, talking with and telling stories to your young children are great ways to bond with the
- Don't want to read – tell stories to your children
- Use “Mad Libs” with your children (activities where children make up a story by adding words in the blanks without knowing the story beforehand)
- Let children pick books that are interesting to them
- Know that the quality of the time you spend with your children matters more than the quantity
- Read with your school aged children, even if you do not share a residence with them – read over the phone, through FaceTime, or Skype if necessary
- When you talk with your children, go with your instincts – introduce new words;
- If you have a smartphone or tablet, there are apps you can use to build your child's literacy skills

6. RESOURCES

<https://www.fatherhood.gov/dadtalk-blog/8-apps-build-kids-literacy-skills>

<https://www.prisonfellowship.org/resources/support-friends-family-of-prisoners/prisoner-resources/four-ways-incarcerated-fathers-can-help-with-their-childrens-education/>

<https://turbofuture.com/cell-phones/reading-apps-for-kids>