

# Why Can't I Skip My 20 Minutes of Reading Tonight?

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**Student "A" reads 20 minutes each day**

-3600 minutes in a school year

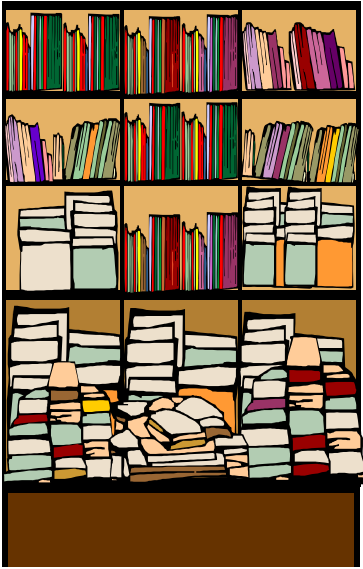
**Student "B" reads 5 minutes each day**

-900 minutes in a school year

**Student "C" reads 1 minute each day**

-180 minutes in a school year

**1,800,000 words**



**282,000 words**



**8,000 words**



**90<sup>th</sup> Percentile**

**50<sup>th</sup> Percentile**

**10<sup>th</sup> Percentile**

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By the end of 6<sup>th</sup> grade, Student "A" will have read the equivalent of 60 whole school days. Student "B" will have read only 12 school days. Which Student would you expect to have a better vocabulary? Which student would you expect to be more successful in school...and in life?

(Nagy&Herman)