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Families and caregivers of young children know just how impactful it can be to read at home with our kids when they are young. It powerfully reinforces the outstanding work Iowa teachers do in the classroom by giving children the opportunity to use their developing reading ability to explore the rich, imaginative worlds found in books.

The Iowa Department of Education is thrilled to share these books with your family to help support you in reading with the children in your home. It's hard to think of a better way to develop a lifelong love of reading and learning alike.

To get started, you and your child are encouraged to use the QR code and participate in a quick lesson on the focus skill that will be covered in each book. Then, enjoy reading the book together!

As your children become more confident, encourage them to read these and other books without assistance. Children love to show off their reading talents to relatives, neighbors and even the family pet!

Join us, along with families across Iowa, in reading with our children at home. Together, we can help them learn to read—so they can spend the rest of their lives reading to learn.

In service,

The Iowa Department of Education Team