

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD AT HOME Strategies for Literacy & Numeracy SECONDARY EDITION



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Several studies have shown that student achievement increases when parents play an active role in their children's education. Students are more likely to be motivated, to produce higher grades, to have better behaviour and social skills, and to continue their education to a higher level when their parents are actively engaged in supporting their success at school. Parent engagement goes hand-in-hand with effective communication with your child's school and teacher.

MATH RESOURCES

Strategies	Activities
"Inspiring Your Child to Learn and Love Math"	Provides modules with simple, but effective methods and materials for parents. This Parent Tool Kit was created specifically for parents of children in the elementary grades in Ontario (JK to Grade 8). Provides parents with research-based information to help them be the best, most knowledgeable and most confident supporters for their child's mathematics education. www.parentengagementmatters.ca/parent-engagement-math
tvo Mathify	A connection to some of the best educational resources on the web. Students in grades 7 to 10 can access live, interactive online math tutoring by certified Ontario teachers. Students can log in for individualized confidential math tutoring. There are discussion rooms for each grade where students can join and see questions other students are asking, watch tutors draw on the whiteboard – and ask questions for on-the-spot help. www.tvomathify.com
Mathies mathies mathies	A Ministry of Education website designed to help parents support their children in math. The site includes activities, learning tools and games for students in K - 12. www.mathies.ca
EQAO - Grade 9 Math	A site for parents to access resources to support their child in the EQAO assessment for Grade 9 Math. This site provides information and resources to help parents get familiar with what's on the assessment and use the results to support their child's learning. www.eqao.com/en/assessments/grade-9-math/Pages/grade-9-math.aspx
IXL	IXL is a math skills practice site, organized by grade level JK - 12. There is a complementary language site that allows students to partake in independent practice of literacy skills. ca.ixl.com
Partnering with Your Teen Grades 7 - 12	This online document found in edugains.ca provides information for parents, guardians, caregivers, and other family members on ways to support the development of their teen's mathematical abilities. math.thelearningexchange.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Partnering-with-your-teen_June2019-AODA.pdf

LITERARY RESOURCES

Strategies	Activities
Adolescent Literacy - A Brief Guide for Parents THINK LEANIES LEANIES RESTINS RES	A guide for parents of students in grades 7 – 12 to assist them in understanding their son/daughter's literacy development. It identifies the need with adolescent learners to go beyond just the basics of becoming more effective readers, writers and speakers. It outlines the literacy components and gives strategies that support students in their thinking, expressing and reflecting, regardless of the learning situation. www.edugains.ca/resourcesLiteracy/SchoolLeader/BuildingRelationships/ParentGuide_2014.pdf www.edugains.ca/resourcesLiteracy/CE/7-12/AdolescentLiteracy/Vision/AdolescentLiteracyGuide_Interactive.pdf
Supporting your Child's Success in French Immersion and Extended French, Kindergarten to Grade 8 – A Parents' Guide	Provides practical suggestions for simple, everyday things that you can do at home to enhance your child's learning in both French Immersion and Extended French. www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/literacynumeracy/parentguidefrench.pdf
Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT)	Parent resources to support their students in preparing for the OSSLT. Resources include a Get Ready Guide; Planning and Prep Guide; and Questions and Answers for Parents which is available in 22 languages. www.eqao.com/en/assessments/OSSLT
Rewordify	Rewordify is a powerful, free, online reading comprehension software program. It helps students understand language that is difficult for them, and helps them learn vocabulary in new ways. Simply insert text into the box provided and its educational technology creates independent learners, by helping them to read, understand, and reflect on what they have read. rewordify.com

OTHER RESOURCES

Student Databases	Various academic databases (i.e. EBSCO, Gale, Rosen Teen Health & Wellness) which are available to all Grand Erie students through our Virtual Learning Environment. Go to: gedsb.elearningontario.ca Use your Grand Erie email address and computer password to login.
Edge Factor	Engaging and interactive website that allows students to explore career opportunities and the world of work. www.bit.ly/EdgeFactorExperience

Curio



Curio.ca is a subscription-based educational streaming platform targeting educational institutions from primary through to post-secondary levels across Canada. Parents and students can now access thousands of programs, documentaries, audio content and archival material from CBC/Radio-Canada on a provisional basis.

www.curio.ca/en

LINKS TO FURTHER RESOURCES

Resource	Links
Reading and Writing with Your Child K to 6 – A Guide for Parents	www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/literacynumeracy/parentGuideLitEn.pdf
Doing Mathematics with Your Child K to 6 – A Guide for Parents	www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/literacynumeracy/parentGuideNumEn.pdf
ELL resources for parents in different languages	Parent resources in different languages from the Ministry of Education www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/parents/multiLanguages.html Reading, Writing and Math www.colorincolorado.org/learning-together-home www.colorincolorado.org/reading-tip-sheets-parents
Integrating Aboriginal Teaching and Values into the Classroom	www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/literacynumeracy/inspire/research/Toulouse.pdf
Teaching Resources and Strategies for Elementary and Secondary Classroom: Aboriginal Perspectives, A Guide to the Teacher's Toolkit.	www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/aboriginal/Guide_Toolkit2009.pdf
EDUGAINS Supports	www.edugains.ca/newsite/math/homesupport.html
PARENT TOOL KIT: What parents can do to help their child succeed in school	www.ontariodirectors.ca/parent_engagement.html



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