

Reading Milestones

Reading is a complex skill which requires strong language comprehension and word recognition skills. What does reading look like at different ages?

Pre-Kindergarten

- “Reads” familiar signs
- Matches some letters and sounds
- Learning to rhyme and count syllables
- Enjoys listening to stories
- Understands oral directions

Kindergarten

- Understands left-right orientation for books
- Recognizes letters and sounds
- Recognizes the beginning sounds of words and some sight words
- Makes predictions using illustrations from stories

1st Grade

- Can identify new words by matching the letter to the sound
- May still read word-by-word, but fluency is increasing
- Retells familiar stories

2nd Grade

- Uses phonics knowledge to sound out new words
- Reading fluency increases and child moves from “Learning to Read” to “Reading to Learn”

Services for Literacy at the USLHC

- Diagnostic evaluations and individual therapy services are offered at the University Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic (USLHC) at the University of Houston main campus.
- All services are provided by graduate students in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders under the supervision of a licensed and certified speech-language pathologist.



Resources to Support Reading Development

Suggestions to develop literacy:

- **Read** early and often.
- **Make it fun!** Ask questions while reading. Use voices for the characters.
- **Choose books** on topics your child enjoys.
- **Contact** your pediatrician, a speech-language pathologist, or your child’s teacher if you have concerns about your child’s reading.

Where to Find Books

- Reading Rockets (online)
- Maya’s Book Nook (online)
- Storyline Online (online)
- Your local library

Where to Find More Information

- Florida Center for Reading Research
- PBSkids.org



SEEK

FIND

Registration Required

Call 713-743-0915 to register or email Michele Ozgen at uslhc@uh.edu.

Fees

- Sliding scale based on income

Schedule

Varies – Approximately 12 weeks in the fall and spring semesters and a specialty clinic for adults and children in the summer

Who is Eligible?

Children and adults with concerns regarding reading

Location


The University Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic – Main UH Campus


Equitable Treatment Services at the USLHC are available to all people, regardless of gender expression and identity, ethnicity, race, sexual orientation, age, disabilities, religious beliefs, and socioeconomic status.

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The University Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic is located in the Melcher Life Sciences building next to the Fertitta Center.

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SERVICES OFFERED AT THE USLHC

Child Speech & Language

- Pre-K Language Learning Group
- Language Development
- Speech Sounds
- Literacy
- Apraxia
- Fluency
- Autism
- Social Skills

Adult Speech, Language, & Cognition

- Aphasia
- Post Stroke Communication Group
- Parkinson's Voice Project
- Transgender Voice
- Fluency
- American English Accent Training

Hearing Services

- Drop-off hearing aid cleaning and repair services



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