

# Reading is Fun





*Dedicated to children everywhere...*

To all whom you meet, be truthful and kind.  
Make the right choices, and good things you'll find!  
Love others and smile - let your best actions lead.  
Have fun, and have faith, and learn how to read!

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An Expeditions to Excellence Book





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# Conversation Station

A Place to Talk and Smile

## Comprehension (discussion with reader)

1. What activity did Dan like to do the most?
2. To whom did Dan read books?
3. Why did Dan's family move to a different house?
4. Do you think Dan was probably a good reader? Why?

## Conversation Time

1. Do you know what a library is?
2. Have you ever been to a library?
3. Do you have a favorite book? What is it? Why is it your favorite book?
4. Do you think you will ever read as many books as Dan?
5. Here's an idea for you to try. Gather your favorite toys and stuffed animal friends together and read this story aloud to them. Practice reading some of the other books you've learned to read, too!

## Sequencing

Draw a line to the numbers to show the order in which these things happened in the story. Can you remember? (If you prefer, you can point to them.)



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# Expeditions to Excellence™ Reading Award

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Date

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these people too! They have  
signed their names here:

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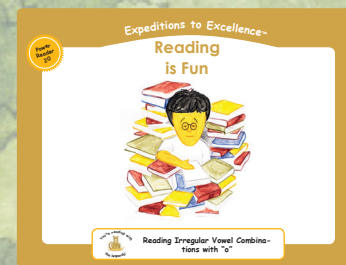
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