



Stories about Ready to Read books and the Children who Receive Them

Family Visitor

My Spanish families enjoy the Ready to Read books because they learn some English. The Family Visitor tells them that even though they can't read in English they could point to pictures and make up the story from the pictures on each page. This is how they teach kids and adults at English as a second language class. The books that we begin with have many pictures and a small amount of words. Families don't have many books so it is great to give them their very own to practice and read to their children, as well as helping them.

Family Resource Center

Sue moved to Wausau from Dane County to get out of an abusive situation and stay with family members. She stopped in the Family Resource Center to seek resources in the community. At the center she told us that she and her two small children, ages 2 and 4 had to leave all their possessions and leave suddenly. The 2 boys had no toys or books. I told the boys they could each pick out 2 books and take them back to grandma's house. When they left they had smiles on their faces and the books were tucked tightly under their arms. Their mom told us they read the 4 books over and over every day for 4 weeks in a row.

Women, Infants & Children

"My kids are so happy to come here since they always receive a book!"

"My child liked his book so much that it fell apart from reading it so much!"

The Hispanic mothers are so happy to receive a book in Spanish because they are expensive and hard to find.