

# Science of Reading Resources

## Websites:

- The Ultimate Guide to Decodable Books:
  - <https://www.themeasuredmom.com/where-to-find-decodable-books-for-short-a/>
- What Are Decodable Books and Why Are They Important
  - <https://www.readingrockets.org/topics/curriculum-and-instruction/articles/what-are-decodable-books-and-why-are-they-important#decodable-vs-predictable-text>
- Using Decodable Books
  - <https://www.readingrockets.org/classroom/choosing-and-using-classroom-texts/using-decodable-books>
- 11 Best Decodable Readers: Books for Beginning Readers
  - <https://imaginationsoup.net/decodable-books/>
- Decodable Text Sources
  - <https://www.thereadingleague.org/decodable-text-sources/>
- Science of Reading Toolkit
  - [https://www.urbanlibraries.org/files/Science-of-Reading-Toolkit-Evidence-Based-Approaches-for-Public-Libraries\\_Final.pdf](https://www.urbanlibraries.org/files/Science-of-Reading-Toolkit-Evidence-Based-Approaches-for-Public-Libraries_Final.pdf)

## Articles/Blog Posts:

- Buchanan, Tamara. The Science of Reading @ Your Public Library  
<https://publiclibrariesonline.org/2024/06/the-science-of-reading-your-public-library/>
- Castles, A., Rastle, K., & Nation, K. (2018). Ending the Reading Wars: Reading Acquisition from Novice to Expert. *Psychological Science in the Public Interest*, 19(1), 5-51 <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/1529100618772271>
- David, Macy. Every Child Ready to Read and the Science of Reading  
<https://www.alsc.ala.org/blog/2024/02/every-child-ready-to-read-and-the-science-of-reading/>
- Partington, Laura. Decoding and Encoding as “Two Sides of One Coin”  
<https://www.alsc.ala.org/blog/2024/07/decoding-and-encoding-as-two-sides-of-one-coin/>
- Prendergast, Tess. The Science of Reading: A Primer for Library Staff  
<https://www.alsc.ala.org/blog/2023/08/the-science-of-reading-a-primer-for-childrens-library-staff/>

- There are a bunch more Science of Reading posts on the ALSC blog. See them here: <https://www.alsc.ala.org/blog/?s=science+of+reading>
- Taylor, Melissa. “Are Early Readers Even Accessible for New Readers?” <https://www.publishersweekly.com/pw/by-topic/childrens/childrens-book-news/article/93698-are-early-readers-even-accessible-for-new-readers.html>
- WebJunction. Reading in the Balance: Exploring the Role of Public Library in the ‘Science of Reading.’ <https://www.webjunction.org/news/webjunction/reading-in-the-balance.html>
- Winnick, Laura. Book Ban Battles and Reading Wars: Public Libraries and the Science of Reading. <https://www.libraryjournal.com/story/book-ban-battles-and-reading-wars-public-libraries-and-the-science-of-reading>
- Yazdian, Lisa M. and Betsy Diamant-Cohen. “Using the Science of Reading (SoR) to Support Beginning Readers”. Children and Libraries, Fall 2024

### **Books:**

- Blevins, Wiley. *Phonics From A to Z: A Practical Guide*
- Burkins, Jan. *Shifting the Balance: 6 Ways to Bring the Science of Reading into the Balanced Literacy Classroom*
- Lindsey, Julia B. *Reading Above the Fray: Reliable, Research-Based Routines for Developing Decoding Skills*
- Wexler, Natalie. *The Knowledge Gap: The Hidden Cause of America’s Broken Education System—and How to Fix It.*

### **Webinars:**

- Learning to Read at School, Loving to Read at the Library
  - <https://www.librarieslearn.org/calendar/learning-to-read-at-school-loving-to-read-at-the-library>
- Unlocking Literacy: Five Action Steps for Implementing the Science of Reading into Summer Programs at Your Library
  - <https://vimeo.com/985093666?share=copy>
- The Science of Reading: Phonics and Decodables
  - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ln8WjI\\_i1Kw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ln8WjI_i1Kw)

### **Free Online Decodable Books**

- Beyond Decodables: <https://www.beyonddecodables.com/>
- Decodable Reads: <https://textproject.org/teachers/free-texts/decodablereads/>

- Flyleaf Publishing: <https://portal.flyleafpublishing.com/learners-resources/>
- Free Decodable Books: <https://rolls.bublup.com/abctutor/free-decodable-books>
- Fun Phonics: <https://funphonics.com/books/>
- Half-Pint Kids: <https://halfpintkids.com/online-materials/>
- Just Right Reader: <https://justrightreader.com/pages/decodables-e-library-just-right-reader>
- Hundreds of Free Decodable Readers, Books, PDFs, & eBooks (2023)  
<https://literacylearn.com/free-decodable-readers/>