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How To Continue The Learning at Home  
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In these unprecedented times we wanted to make sure you have all the resources necessary to continue the momentum of learning for your student. As of now we are set to return April 13th, which means we will miss out on classroom instruction. It is clearly evident that we cannot replace your child's teacher with online/supplemental resources however we wanted to ensure that you have some tools handy for when your students are at home. These resources are not required nor will they impact any grade earned.

Talking about Coronairus with younger students:

<https://www.pbs.org/parents/thrive/how-to-talk-to-your-kids-about-coronavirus>

All Grades:

Your student has access to district purchased online materials for Language Arts and Math, which would provide learning-based games, extra practice, and other supplemental support. If you have any questions do not hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher or Corey St. John (Dir. of Teaching and Learning) [cstjohn@winterset.k12.ia.us](mailto:cstjohn@winterset.k12.ia.us)

PreK

- Read a book with your student and ask questions about the book with verbal and non-verbal answers
- Create a picture book
- Read a rhyming book or recite words that rhyme
- Sort, match, count everyday items
- Play card games
- Homemade puzzles
- Toss games (Stuffed animals, pillows, etc.)
- Indoor hopscotch
- Dance parties
- Art projects (Cut up magazines, paper, etc.)

K-6

- Daily reading
- Read alouds
- Writing about reading (When appropriate for age)
- Counting, measuring, games with everyday items at home
- Outside observations of everyday experiences in nature
- Looking for evidence of everyday experiences in nature

7-8

- Daily reading 30-45 minutes/day
- Questions to consider while reading:
  - What questions do you have about the text?
  - What inferences and/or predictions are you making as you read?
  - What connections do you have to the text?

9-12

- Daily reading 45-60 minutes/day
- Additional questions to consider:
  - What surprised me?
  - What does the author think I already know?
  - What changed, challenged, or confirmed what I already know?
- Focused conversations on college and career readiness
  - High school courses aligned to future goals
  - Future career interest
  - Training/education necessary to achieve future goals
- Scholarship opportunities for post-secondary education

Below is a list of online sites in which as of today are free for your use, the first being materials that the district has purchased to coincide with the materials your students are already using. Some of these sites may require a particular device and/or username and email registration process.

PreK-6: How to talk to your kids about Coronavirus

<https://www.pbs.org/parents/thrive/how-to-talk-to-your-kids-about-coronavirus>

#### **Other helpful resources PreK-6**

Scholastic Learn at Home - Google "Scholastic

Learn at Home" for quick access

PBS Learning Media - [nj.pbslearningmedia.org](http://nj.pbslearningmedia.org)

National Geographic 4 Kids -

[kids.nationalgeographic.com](http://kids.nationalgeographic.com)

ABCYA - [abcya.com](http://abcya.com)

Fun Brain - [funbrain.com](http://funbrain.com)

Starfall - [starfall.com](http://starfall.com)

Highlights Kids - [highlightkids.com](http://highlightkids.com)

Storyline Online - [storylineonline.net](http://storylineonline.net)

ABC Mouse - [abcmouse.com](http://abcmouse.com)

Khan Academy Kids ages 2 - 7 only on iPads  
and iPhones

Scholastic Learn at Home

Epic

My StoryBook

Storyline Online

Story Time from Space

KidLit

Adventure Academy

Wonderopolis - [wonderopolis.org](http://wonderopolis.org)

Learning A-Z - [learninga-z.com](http://learninga-z.com)

Brain Pop - [brainpop.com](http://brainpop.com)

Vooks - [vooks.com/teacher-appreciation](http://vooks.com/teacher-appreciation)

Phonics Hero - [phonicshero.com](http://phonicshero.com)

Dreamscape - [squigglepark.com/dreamscape](http://squigglepark.com/dreamscape)

Switcheroo Zoo - [switcheroozoo.com](http://switcheroozoo.com)

Boom Learning - [wow.boomlearning.com](http://wow.boomlearning.com)

Kids Discover - [online.kidsdiscover.com](http://online.kidsdiscover.com)

Time For Kids - [timeforkids.com](http://timeforkids.com)

Go Noodle - [gonoodle.com](http://gonoodle.com)

Online Art Classes:

<https://www.kennedy-center.org/education/mo-willems/>

Online Exercises:

Cosmic Kids Yoga

Online tours:

Virtual museum, national parks, and zoo tours

Full list of K-12 education resources offering free subscriptions due to school closing:

[Amazingeducationalresources.com](http://Amazingeducationalresources.com)