



Together In My Education

Home learning programme for Grade R and Grade 1

TIME Home Learning programme

The TIME Home Learning programme is a set of daily story-based activities with language activities designed by Wordworks and maths activities by RED INK. The activities can be used at home and in after-school programmes to build language and maths foundations in Grade R and Grade 1. The activities are aligned to the CAPS curriculum and complement what is being taught in the classroom. TIME builds co-operation between families, schools and communities and establishes home learning routines.

TIME is for parents, caregivers and tutors of 5–7 year old children and is available in all South African languages.



Programme goals

- Provide early literacy and maths support to children in Grade R and Grade 1 with materials in the Language of Learning and Teaching.
- Equip parents, caregivers and tutors to provide structured support to children learning to read, write and do maths.
- Create home and after school learning routines that build strong learning habits and support classroom learning.
- Enable education districts, schools and organisations to address the needs of young children who may begin school without important learning foundations.

How the programme works

- Education departments, schools or organisations sign up to use the TIME programme, to purchase materials and receive programme communications.
- Wordworks provides free online orientation, refresher and reflection sessions and emails with programme updates and tips.
- Parents/caregivers/tutors are able to access free online multimedia support through QR codes in the TIME materials and directly through Wordworks' data free website.
- If required, districts or organisations may engage with a TIME trainer to set up a training course for an interested group.



Programme results

Children benefit

- Their early language and maths improves as they get regular skills-based practice at home/after school.
- They build the habit of learning routines after school/at home and their engagement with classroom activities improves.
- They enjoy focused and affirming attention of an important older person and their self-esteem and confidence grows.

Teachers benefit

- They are motivated and resourced to support parents to help their children with foundational skills.
- They build a respectful relationship with the parents of their learners.
- They observe improvements in children's foundational skills, personal confidence and attitudes to learning.

Parents, caregivers and tutors benefit

- Their confidence grows and their caregiver role expands.
- They learn how to support young children's early language and maths learning at home/after school.
- Their relationship and communication with their children improves.

Education Departments, teacher training organisations and institutions benefit

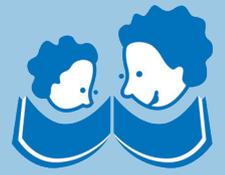
School managers, education department officials and organisations have access to high-quality, low-cost materials, online training, programme support and support for learner assessment if required.

Programme resources

TIME is open source. Resources and support are available online at wwhomeliteracy.org.za/time/. The materials are printed in bulk to achieve the lowest unit price. TIME consists of:

- A Guide for Parents, Caregivers and Tutors – these include an activity planner for each week of the year
- Four Learner Activity Books (one per term)
- Online materials, messages and audiovisual resources.





Would your organisation/department like to partner with Wordworks to use the TIME Home Learning programme?

Join our bulk print to get the cheapest prices per family for a year of daily activities!

Sign up to use the TIME programme in your networks, by completing the form: *Application form for Wordworks programmes.*

You can find it here: <https://forms.gle/pAmftqZPnxe6hoJe6>

Or by scanning this QR code:



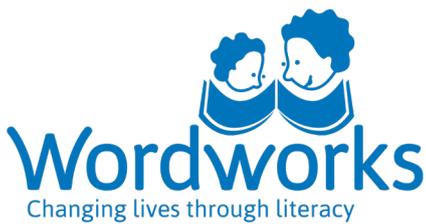
How can YOU spread TIME?

- 1 Ask your business to print packs for employees with young children.
- 2 Ask your school to print packs and distribute to under-resourced schools.
- 3 Join our bulk print and sponsor packs for children identified by the Department of Education and NGOs.

Next step: If you would like to register to receive printed TIME materials, please go to the following link: wwhomeliteracy.org.za/join-time/

Or scan this QR code:





Are you interested in knowing more about Wordworks?

Wordworks is a South African non-profit organisation that focuses on early language and literacy development in the first eight years of children's lives. Since 2005, we have worked in under-resourced communities with those adults best positioned to impact on young children's language and literacy development – parents and caregivers, family and community members, home visitors, early childhood development practitioners and Grade R to Grade 3 teachers.

We are working collaboratively to grow an informed, capable, resourced and motivated network of schools, organisations and institutions that promote the importance of, and work effectively for, the improvement of children's early language and literacy, through their association with our programmes and materials.

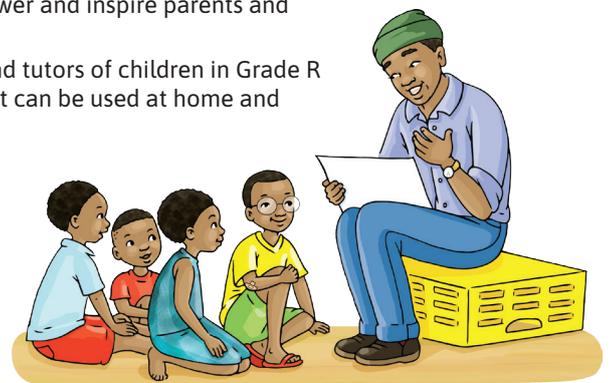
Wordworks offers training, resources and support for partners who wish to use our early language and literacy programmes in their own networks. Programmes are sustained through ongoing relationships with Wordworks, including refresher training and events, input and guidance, access to resources and opportunities, sharing of learning and support for programme monitoring and evaluation.

Wordworks has developed five early language and literacy programmes:

- **Every Word Counts programme** (0–5 years): Trainers are equipped to train and resource:
 - Home visitors and community workers to strengthen the early language and literacy component of their work with families and caregivers.
 - ECD practitioners to build language-rich, interactive learning environments and to reach out to parents and caregivers to support language and literacy learning at home.
- **Little Stars programme** (4–5 years): Trainers are equipped to train and resource pre-Grade R teachers and to strengthen their teaching of language and early literacy through a series of carefully-scaffolded, story-based teaching cycles.
- **Stellar Home Language programme** (5–6 years): Trainers are equipped to train and resource Grade R teachers to strengthen their teaching of language and early literacy through a series of carefully-scaffolded, story-based teaching cycles, and to reach out to parents and caregivers to support language learning at home.
- **Home–School Partnerships programme** (5–8 years): Foundation Phase and Learning Support Teachers are equipped to facilitate eight weekly workshops of 2½ hours each, to empower and inspire parents and caregivers to support informal learning at home.
- **TIME programme** (5–8 years): This programme is for parents, caregivers and tutors of children in Grade R and Grade 1. It consists of carefully developed, CAPS aligned activities that can be used at home and in after-school programmes to build language and maths foundations.

Wordworks contributes to language and early literacy learning through the ongoing development and improvement of our programmes and materials, through publications, presentations at conferences and through a wide range of practical open-access resources, drawn from and tested in our programmes. These are made available to the public as free downloads on our website and are also for sale through our catalogue and public workshops, conferences and events.

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