

**SCBWI BOOKS FOR READERS**  
**WORLDWIDE (INFOGRAPHIC)**

**Why INCREASING Book Access**  
**for READERS IN NEED**

**Matters:**

**1 per 300:** The number of books per child in low-income neighborhoods vs. 13 books per child in middle-income neighborhoods...

*"In a 2006 study published in the Handbook of Early Literacy Research, middle-income neighborhoods surveyed showed an average of 13 books per child. Low-income communities had approximately 300 children per one book."(1)*

**24/7 and 365:**

The number of hours and days that books must be available to all children to enhance reading achievement...

*"Ensuring that books are available to any child at any time of the year will be a good first step in enhancing the reading achievement of low-income students ..."(2)*

**25:** Hours of one-on-one reading time a child in an economically unstable family is exposed to vs. 1,000 to 1,700 hours that a child in a middle-class family receives...

*"Children in low-income families lack essential one-on-one reading time. The average child growing up in a less economically stable family has only been exposed to 25 hours of one-on-one reading..."(3)*

**100%** Percentage of summer reading loss that can be eradicated in low income students with access to books...

"Access to books...enables low SES [socioeconomic status] students to counter 100% of the typical summer reading loss. " (4)

**110%:** What we believe about reading, and access to books!"

*"Reading isn't optional..." (5)*

*"Reading is an essential tool that we must use through out our lifetime. People who read well: earn more, have more rewarding lives, and pass on their skills to their families."(6)*

~ **Walter Dean Myers** (1937-2014), award winning YA and children's author, and *National Ambassador for Young People's Literature*, 2012-2013.

**1000s:** The number of books we hope to collect if our members donate at least **ONE of their books to** SCBWI BOOKS FOR READERS BOOK DRIVE to help increase book access and change readers' lives!

## **SCBWI BOOKS FOR READERS BOOK DRIVE**

### **Give Books Build Dreams.**

To join SCBWI BOOKS FOR READERS BOOK DRIVE,

visit *INSERT MICROSITE ADDRESS.*

**Footnotes**

(1) *From a 2006 study published in the Handbook of Early Literacy*

*Research, Volume 3, 2011.*

(2) (Anne McGill Franzen and Richard Allington, 2009). Quoted in "Access to Books", Family and Community Engagement Research Compendium.

(3)(McQuillan, 1998) Quoted in "Access to Books", Family and Community Engagement Research Compendium.

(4)(Richard Allington and Anne McGill-Franzen, 2008.) Quoted in "Access to Books", Family and Community Engagement Research Compendium.

(5) Walter Dean Myers (1937-2014), award winning author and *National Ambassador for Young People's Literature*, 2012-2013.

(6) Library of Congress Bookmark, 2012-2013.

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