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Paper books better than e-books for bedtime stories

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THE READING

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Technology and digital devices might not replace traditional, paper bedtime books. A study shows that paper books are better than e-books. It said printed books, with real pages that you turn, make parents and children interact more than when using electronic books. Researchers studied how 37 pairs of parents and toddlers interacted with e-books and paper books. Parents asked fewer questions and made fewer comments with e-books.

Researchers gave parents three book formats. These were printed books, e-books, and e-books with animation and sound effects. The researchers found that parents and children spoke to each other less with the digital books. A researcher said parents and children talked about the device and the technology more than about the story. Children said things like, "don't push that button" or "don't change the volume". They asked few questions about the story.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

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|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Technology and digital | a. with e-books |
| 2. A study shows that paper | b. devices |
| 3. with real pages | c. books |
| 4. parents and children interact | d. questions |
| 5. electronic | e. that you turn |
| 6. 37 pairs of parents | f. more |
| 7. toddlers interacted | g. books are better |
| 8. Parents asked fewer | h. and toddlers |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Researchers gave parents | a. the volume |
| 2. e-books | b. each other less |
| 3. sound | c. few questions |
| 4. children spoke to | d. with animation |
| 5. children talked | e. that button |
| 6. don't push | f. effects |
| 7. don't change | g. three book formats |
| 8. They asked | h. about the device |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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PAPER BOOKS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about paper books in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

