

The Big Question

School-to-Home Connection

Unit 2 focuses on the Big Question: Why Read? In this unit, you'll learn about different reasons that people have for reading. Before you start thinking about why you read, talk to a parent or another adult to discover why that person reads. Choose one of the activities below to complete at home.

ACTIVITY: Complete a Chart

Directions Ask a parent or another adult to name and describe two different types of materials that he or she reads on a regular basis. Write his or her responses in the first column of the chart. Then have the person give at least two reasons for reading each type of material.

What Do You Read?	Why Do You Read It?

ACTIVITY: Favorites

Directions Tell a parent or another adult about the Big Question. Ask him or her to answer the following questions:

- What is your favorite book? Why?
- Do you have a favorite magazine? What do you like about it?
- If you had two hours to sit and read any material you liked, what would you read? Explain why.

On a separate sheet of paper, write a summary of the person's responses. Then, if any of the responses surprised you, explain why.