

UNLOCK LITERACY

EDUCATION FOR EVERY CHILD, EVERYWHERE

World Vision aspires that children be equipped for life by enhancing the quality of their education and by developing their cognitive, social and emotional skills to enable them to realise their full potential. Development professionals agree that without education, it is almost impossible to break out of the cycle of poverty. Education is therefore, at the very heart of sustainable development.

World Vision works in thousands of communities worldwide to help people address not only education challenges but a variety of needs, including water, health, economic opportunity and child protection. Partnering with these communities helps bring about lasting solution which can conclusively break the cycle of poverty.

In the
**ASIA PACIFIC REGION, 150
MILLION CHILDREN**
are unable to access school



**250 MILLION CHILDREN
WORLDWIDE**

*cannot read, write or do basic math, even
though half of them have attended school
for at least four years*

430 MILLION CHILDREN
are at risk of dropping out of the education system



Why UNLOCK LITERACY



Even when children are in school, gaining literacy skills isn't guaranteed. The students' commitment to study must be met with the right tools and instruction. Primary school attendance rates across Asia are around 92% but foundational learning skills around reading and numeracy is only 37%.

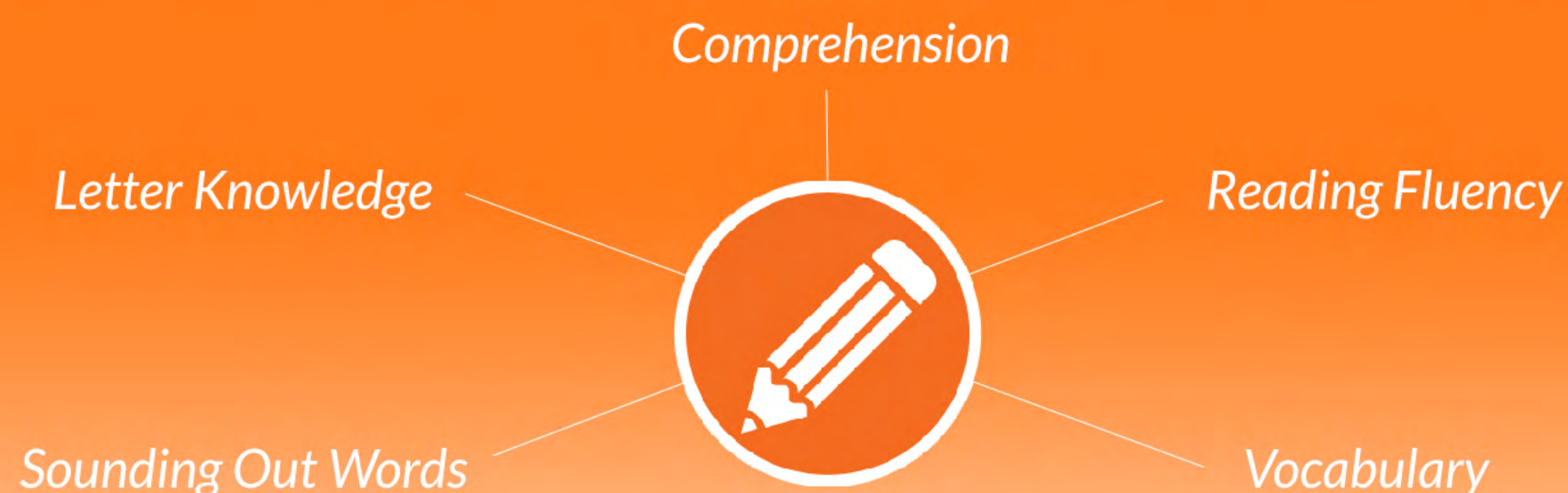
**UNLOCK LITERACY
WAS DEVELOPED TO
PROMOTE GOOD LITERACY PRACTICES,
BOTH IN AND OUT OF SCHOOL**



THE UNLOCK LITERACY MODEL

This education project targets children of primary school age, namely those in grades 1-3. World Vision commits to improve learning outcomes through award-winning principles and practices for children—including those living in fragile and sometimes dangerous conditions.

The Unlock Literacy Project aims to teach children to read and has been implemented in more than 30 countries across the globe. The project focuses on helping children improve five core skills of reading acquisition namely



OUR THREE-PRONGED APPROACH establish • empower • equip

ESTABLISH

Establish after-school reading camps with trained volunteers and age appropriate books for children to take home so that they will be excited about reading.

EMPOWER

Parents are encouraged to learn along with their children so that they will begin valuing education and prioritising school.

EQUIP

Equip primary school teachers with quality training and adequate resources so that they can help end the cycle of illiteracy.





We pay attention to immersing students in words while simultaneously enhancing community structures that contribute to learning.

IMPACT



575,005 CHILDREN
participated in literacy activities



38,498 CHILDREN
enrolled in early learning education



8,739 TEACHERS
supported and trained

KEY COMPONENTS OF THE APPROACH



1

READING ASSESSMENTS

World Vision's mobile tablets conduct baseline and endline reading assessments which measure:

- Children's reading levels
- Evaluate their learning needs and
- Help schools and Ministries of Education track students' progress



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TEACHER TRAINING

Teachers receive ongoing training in order to:

- Incorporate the five core reading skills into their curriculum
- Create a print-rich environment in their classrooms
- Keep children motivated while learning to read



3

COMMUNITY ACTION

Fun out-of-school reading camps need the support of parents and communities

World Vision's Citizen Voice and Action model holds key stakeholders accountable for the delivery of quality educational services



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TEACHING AND LEARNING MATERIALS

Creation of locally relevant and grade appropriate reading materials



World Vision Philippines

A TEACHER WITH A PASSION TO IMPACT

Two years ago, Rosemiah remembers how she planned on taking an Engineering degree in college. Her plans changed when she was invited to join World Vision's Culture of Reading (CoR) workshop. Her participation in the training and even the activities that followed it fueled her passion in teaching. When the 19-year-old teenager enrolled in college, she took a degree in Education.

Rosemiah was one of the participants during a training in 2018 where she was trained to be a leader in the community to cascade the reading lessons. "It is a newly found passion I didn't expect I have in me. I grew up as a shy person but this opportunity as a community tutor helps me improve myself," she said. As a trained CoR tutor, Rosemiah or Teacher Rose, as called by her students, conducts reading sessions in their town hall every weekend.

Her participants are children who are categorised as slow readers in their school. She admits that teaching young kids is not an easy task because of very short attention spans but she takes it as a challenge and enjoys her role. She says the happiness she feels in knowing she has imparted important learning to these children is unexplainable. She also added that there is a high rate of slow readers in her community, especially among children aged 10 years old and below. She shared that without help, some of these slow readers would stop schooling because they wouldn't feel confident with their reading skills.

As a World Vision sponsored child, Rosemiah benefits from child participation and leadership activities that equip and enable children to reach their full potential.



"I think every child deserves to be provided with quality education based on their learning needs," said Rosemiah. "This is my newly found purpose and I am willing to be part of this for a long time."

Rosemiah

HIGH IMPACT PARTNERS

We are able to make a greater impact in communities thanks to our local and global partnerships within the private and public sectors.



J.P.Morgan



How you can SUPPORT UNLOCK LITERACY



Your partnership would enable us to equip all children to flourish through quality education.

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