

Weekly R.E.A.D.®

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R.E.A.D. around the World

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We proudly present the mission of R.E.A.D. in the languages of all these countries where R.E.A.D. is currently being practiced (as of August 2014):



**The United States, Canada,
The United Kingdom and South
Africa**

The mission of the R.E.A.D.® program is to improve the literacy skills of children in a unique approach employing a classic concept: reading with a dog.



Croatia

Zadatak R.E.A.D. programa jest poboljšanje vještine čitanja djece uz asistenciju registriranih terapijskih timova u svojstvu mentora čitalac/ke pismenosti.



Finland

Tehtävänä R.E.A.D. Ohjelma on parantaa lukutaitoa lasten kautta apua rekisteröityjen hoidon joukkueita kuin lukutaito mentoreina.



France

La mission du programme de lecture est d'améliorer les capacités de lecture des enfants grâce à l'aide des équipes de thérapie enregistrées auprès de mentors en littérature.



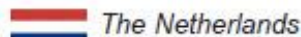
Germany

Die Zielsetzung des R.E.A.D. Programms ist, die Lesekompetenz von Schülern durch Einsatz von zertifizierten Leseförderung-Teams zu verbessern.



Italy

La missione del programma R.E.A.D. è quella di migliorare le competenze dei bambini nella lettura attraverso l'assistenza di team da terapia registrati, che fungono da "mentori di alfabetizzazione.



The Netherlands

De missie van de R.E.A.D. programma is om de leesvaardigheid van kinderen te verbeteren door middel van de hulp van geregistreerde therapie teams als geleitendheid mentoren.



Norway

Oppdraget av R.E.A.D. programmet er å forbedre leseferdigheter av barn gjennom hjelp av registrerte terapigrupper som literacy mentorer.



Slovenia

Poslanstvo R.E.A.D. programa: je izboljšanje bralnih sposobnosti otrok s pomočjo terapevtskih parov – mentorjev, ki so za tako delo še posebej usposobljeni.



**South Africa
(Afrikaans)**

Die missie van die R.E.A.D. –program is om kinders se vaardighede in geleitendheid te verbeter met die hulp van geregistreerde terapiespanne as mentors.



Spain

El objetivo del Programa R.E.A.D. es mejorar las habilidades de lectura de los niños mediante la ayuda de equipos de terapia registrados como monitores de lectura.



Sweden

Las-programmets mål är att förbättra läsförståelsen hos barn genom hjälp av registrerade terapihundsteam som läskunniga mentorer.

As we anticipate the official 15th anniversary of the beginning of Reading Education Assistance Dogs program, it is so rewarding and to see how this program has grown. This growth is due to you, the dedicated therapy animal teams that make this happen day after day, week after week.

Through the years, the R.E.A.D. training manual has continually evolved and been updated to include the latest information. And, as you know, the manual was just redesigned for the 15th anniversary and is now quite striking with its new format and colored pictures. There are over 11,000 manuals in circulation.

There are R.E.A.D. members in all 50 states – yeah! Over 4560 teams have become R.E.A.D. members. (We know all those other manuals have inspired other non-R.E.A.D. programs!)

We are thrilled to support the brave teams that have started R.E.A.D. affiliates in their own countries. We currently have affiliates in thirteen countries: Canada, Croatia, England/United Kingdom, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, and Sweden. Additional manuals have been sold in eleven other countries that will hopefully become future affiliates: Australia, Brazil, Columbia, Greece, Japan, Iceland, Israel, New Zealand, Poland, Portugal, and Romania.

The growth of the R.E.A.D. program is very exciting, not so much for the statistics but for the difference you have made in the lives of all of the children you and your R.E.A.D. partner have impacted. And, we must acknowledge and appreciate the essential role your therapy animal has in R.E.A.D.'s success. Without your R.E.A.D. animal's willingness to patiently listen to "Go, Dog. Go!" one more time, there wouldn't be much of a program. Thank you!

-- Nancy Brooks

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