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Endorsement

Reading Solutions Web Site  
<https://readingsolutionsinc.com>

On his Reading Solution Web Site ([www.ReadingSolutionsinc.com](http://www.ReadingSolutionsinc.com)) and in his book (Your Child Can't Read Because), Dr. Oxendine has presented a way forward. No one is being blamed here, but no one is exempt from responsibility either. Parents need to prepare their children for formal schooling by reading books to them, talking about the letters and having fun illustrating how each letter has a very special sound. Teachers have a sacred responsibility to learn the techniques of reading instruction. Techniques that have been learned from thousands of carefully conducted research studies can be summarized into five essential components of any reading instruction: direct and systematic instruction in phonemic awareness, phonics, vocabulary development, fluency and comprehension.

School administrators must support classroom teachers who choose textbooks and other materials that reflect these principles. Colleges of education must prepare future teachers with the latest information about how the brain develops and how the skill of reading can be taught most effectively. Teaching a student to read is a team effort. It is an opportunity for every community to come together and apply the timeless principles of reading instruction in every classroom in America.

As a Professor of Education at North Carolina State University Pembroke for many years, Dr. Oxendine has learned what works. He has shared his findings and his experience with all of us in this book. He has developed practical and effective instructional materials that can be used to teach any student who desires to learn to read. He presents a positive and encouraging overview of one of the nation's most intractable problems...that of illiteracy....and shines a bright light on the way forward.

Let each of us stop, look, and listen to the wisdom he offers us. You will be enlightened, encouraged, and empowered as we each take responsibility for our part in this worthy endeavor...teaching all of our children to read proficiently. There are no more excuses. Onward and upward until illiteracy is no more!

GOOD NEWS! Johnny can be taught to read! There is a solution to illiteracy. All children can be taught to read proficiently. That includes the 85 percent of students who are currently being placed in "Special Education" simply because they have not been taught to read. Every parent who sends their child off to our publicly supported schools in September of each year fully expects that little Johnny or Susie will be reading by the end of the year. Too often that expectation and hope is dashed when frustration and confusion result. That need not be the case.

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Ms. Lisa  
Mr. David

Please include the attached endorsement of my Reading Solutions and book by Mr. Robert Sweet Jr. somewhere on our new website.

He was the most respected and knowledgeable person in US about reading instruction.

He was the president and CEO of The National Right to Read Foundation - [www.NRRF.org](http://www.NRRF.org).

He was the National Authority on teaching reading in the US.

He worked in US Department of Education as the director for reading instruction under 3 US Presidents.

He died last year and his national and international reading efforts have been stopped.

You and I are responsible to carry on his life-long work.

My original Reading Solutions web site was patterned similar to his NRRF.

Thank you!