## Time to Read

BUSINESS IN THE COMMUNITY IRELAND

**1 in 10** children in Irish primary schools have serious difficulty with reading and writing

**100%** of companies would recommend Time to Read to another company



found Time to Read enjoyable

# Teachers who reported the programme objectives were met or exceeded:



Increased enjoyment of reading - 100% Increased confidence in reading - 100% Improved self-discovery - 98% Improved fluency & comprehension - 100%

**100%** of School Principals would recommend the programme to another Principal



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### **Business Benefits**

- Improves employee engagement
- Adds diversity to the working day
- Develops staff confidence
- Increases self-esteem and communication skills
- Motivates staff and enhances team work
- · Raises company profile in the local community
- · Builds partnerships with local schools



### **Business Volunteer:**

"Great to have the opportunity to support children in the love of reading and also to help build their confidence. I looked forward to visiting the school every week and giving back to the community was a privilege and a huge sense of satisfaction in helping the children to learn and grow."



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