

Supercharged Storytimes for All

You already provide great storytimes. Supercharge your practice to make them even better!

Supercharged Storytimes is a self-paced course consisting of **six modules**, which include **videos, readings, activities, and reflection questions**. The course provides training in how to intentionally apply research-based practices to boost early literacy in young children attending library storytime. The course is approximately 10 hours of videos, activities, readings and reflection questions

Learning Objectives:

As a result of taking the Supercharged Storytimes self-paced course, practitioners will be able to:

- Explain the impact of library storytime practices on early literacy development in children, referencing significant studies such as the VIEWS2 research. Describe the key pillars of a supercharged storytime and integrate them into their own storytimes.
- Be intentional in supporting early literacy behaviors in relation to books and storytime activities through the use of the Early Literacy Planning Tool.
- Increase interactivity with children during story times, observing children's behaviors, and engage parents/caregivers to reinforce these behaviors at home and in other environments.
- Share early literacy information with parents/caregivers, providing them with ideas and resources they can use with their children in everyday life.
- Use assessment tools to evaluate and improve storytimes, including self-reflection and the Project Outcome Early Childhood Literacy outcome-based assessment toolkit.
- Employ strategies to reach children and families of highest needs in communities served by the library.
- Confidently articulate the value of library storytimes to a variety of stakeholders and recognize how Supercharged Storytimes connects to other early literacy structures such as their state's early learning guidelines, Every Child Ready to Read® and Head Start Child Outcomes.

How do I enroll?

To take a course, create a free account in our course catalog at [Learn.WebJunction.org](https://www.learnwebjunction.org),

- Click on the Log in link in the top right corner;
- If you're new to the course catalog, follow the instructions under "Is this your first time here?"

If you already have an account,

- Sign in to the [WebJunction Course Catalog](#) with your username and password.
- Go to the Supercharged Storytimes [course](#) in the catalog.
- Enroll in the course by clicking the "Enroll me" button

How long will it take to complete the course?

Working through the course involves watching a total of six hours of video recordings (approximately 1 hour per module) and doing the applied learning on each topic, which can often be combined with storytime preparation and delivery that you are already doing. It is optimal to

allow two weeks in between modules for the applied learning, so the course takes approximately 8-10 weeks to complete.

How long do I have to finish a course once I have enrolled?

There is no time limit to complete courses. You will have access to a course for as long as you need.

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