Why Can't I Skip My 20 Minutes of Reading Tonight?

Student "A" reads **20 minutes** each day	Student "B" reads **5 minutes** each day	Student "C" reads **1 minute** each day
3600 minutes in a school year	900 minutes in a school year	180 minutes in a school year

1,800,000 words

282,000 words

8,000 words

90th percentile   *50th percentile*   *10th percentile*

By the end of 6th grade Student "A" will have read the equivalent of 60 whole school days. Student "B" will have read only 12 school days. Which student would you expect to have a better vocabulary? Which student would you expect to be more successful in school...and in life?

(Nagy & Herman, 1987)