

# THE WONDERS OF READING

## 1. Introduction

- (a) Attention Grabber
- (b) Background statements
- (c) Thesis Statement

## 2. Main Body

### 2.1. Reading Develops Intellectual Capacities

- (a) Reading Develops the Ability to Think
- (b) Reading Gives Birth to New Ideas
- (c) Reading Advances Cognitive Mechanisms in Humans

### 2.2. Reading Gives Birth to Changemakers

- (a) ~~Plato~~ Greek Philosophers
- (b) Malcom X
- (c) Quaid-e-Azam and Dr. Allam Iqbal

### 2.3. Reading ~~Prepares~~ ~~One~~ Builds Resilience

- (a) Reading familiarizes one with all kinds of experiences
- (b) Reading different experiences makes one craft solutions to escape from the worst situations
- (c) Reading improves ones reaction towards frightening situations

2.4. Good Readers make Good Writers

- (a) Conscious and Unconscious Reading
- (b) Frequent Reading can Result in Academic Excellence of Students
- (c) Reading can Open a Myriad of Opportunities of Individuals

2.5. Reading ~~can~~ leads to Advancement of All Disciplines

- (a) Advancements in Science and Technology
- (b) Advancements in Research
- (c) Advancement ~~of~~ in <sup>the field of</sup> Public Administration, Business Administration, Computer Science, International Relations, Engineering, Arts and Humanities etc.

2.6. Combating Climate Change and Developing Sustainable Solutions via Research and Practice

- (a) Reading, Thinking and Writing can help in combating Real life Problems
- (b) Researches can help bring forth Contextualized Solutions

3. Conclusion

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Education is a Weapon which you can use  
to Change the World.”

Reading is a form of self-education. When <sup>one</sup> ~~one~~ struggles to educate themselves, <sup>whether</sup> out of dire need or curiosity, they develop a harmless weapon which has the ability to reach to the masses. Dr. Allam Iqbal, the great thinker and philosopher, was also a changemaker who ~~gave~~ the idea of two-state solution and led the inception of Pakistan. Through power of his pen, he wrote poems and delivered messages ~~which~~ which awakened the spirit of Muslims. ~~His 1960's~~ His 1940's Allahbad speech where he presented the idea of a separate nation for Muslims is also a reflection of the wonders reading brings to a man. Hence, reading can bring wonders not only in the life of an individual but also of the masses by developing ones intellectual capacities, bringing forth changemakers, developing resilience, advancing research and practice, and crafting sustainable solutions.

Reading can undoubtedly develop and expand ~~one~~ individual's intellectual capacities. Science has proven that individuals who read more have tendency

to fasten the pace of cognitive mechanisms. ~~With~~ ~~the~~ ~~usage~~ of time such individuals are able to process situations fast, come up with solutions and in this way, they train their brain to keep working smoothly when faced with adverse circumstances.

History has proven numerous times that the people who changed history were great readers and thinkers. Plato, Socrates, <sup>Said</sup> Aristotle, were the great Greek philosophers of their time. Despite the criticism they faced for their ideas, their work today stands as one of the phenomenal contributions of history. Not to mention, Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah, founder of Pakistan, was a lawyer whose astuteness, bilingual communication, principled nature and education is what won him a country for Muslims. ~~Moreover~~ Moreover, Dr. Allama Iqbal, the great reader, writer, and thinker, whose reading interests knew no country, race or ethnicity, enabled him to come up with the idea of Pakistan when the entire subcontinent was under the shackles of Britishers. Therefore, history, as it repeats itself, continues to give rise to such changemakers who were once obstinate readers.

Reading builds resilience in individuals. Resilience refers to one's ability to respond proactively to a crisis situation. As readers often come across turbulent circumstances in books, they are able to familiarize themselves with most of the worst experiences. Due to this familiarization, their tendency to be shocked or panic reduces when met with unfavorable circumstances. In this way, they are able to cope up with situations better through the resilience build overtime.

Good readers makes good writers and good writers can help uplift generations. Like Socrates awakened the people of his time by giving them new ideas. Even today, individuals supporting the cause of Palestine write for them and speak at different forums to change the current situation and let the truth be known to the world.