VOLUNTEER ROLE



Reading sessions occur each week for 30-minutes for the duration of the school year. During that time, you will provide a 5-7 year old with the one-to-one reading practice every young reader needs in order to become a proficient reader by the end of the school year. Through out proprietary software, your student will read stories and play games that address key literacy skills being learned in the classroom.

When an early reader can read out loud with an adult who can gently guide and correct them, it improves their reading fluency and overall reading achievement.

ROLE DESCRIPTION

Supporting children

- Reach as many children as possible by delivering one-to-one reading support.
- Provide weekly 30-minute reading sessions using the structure provided by the Chapter One Online Reading software program, adapting to the needs of the child.

Delivering one-to-one reading support

- Use the Chapter One scheduling platform to book weekly reading sessions.
- Commit to 30-minute reading sessions each week for the duration of the school year.
- Give students positive feedback, support, and encouragement.
- Provide Chapter One with feedback about the program and your experience after each session.
- Reach out to your organization's volunteer coordinator or your designated Chapter One program manager if you have issues with the program.

Training

- Complete the online Chapter One Basic Training program as well as prepare for your first session by watching the Building Confident Readers training.
- Familiarize yourself with the Learning Center to get answers to questions and access to information about early reading.

Child Safeguarding

- Read the Chapter One's Child Safeguarding, Policy and Procedure document provided when you registered with Chapter One.
- Watch the Child Safeguarding segment in the Chapter One Basic Training video.
- Understand what you should do if you suspect abuse or neglect while working with a student.
- Understand that if you have concerns about safety or wellbeing, you have a duty to report these concerns as outlined in the Child Safeguarding, Policy and Procedure documentation.

Be part of the Chapter One community

You'll be joining like-minded volunteers from over 200 partner organizations. We
encourage you to engage with other volunteer teams through chat groups and
social media.

A Chapter One Online Volunteer demonstrations these characteristics

- A positive advocate for Chapter One, our mission, and belief that literacy is a basic civil right.
- Confident in your computer skills and using the online reading platform.
- Fluent in English and a competent reader.
- Patient, kind, and able to work one-to-one with a young reader.
- Able to provide enthusiasm, empathy, and encouragement.
- Understanding that first/second grade classrooms are very fluid, often very busy, and can be very noisy.
- Is proactive in seeking help from Chapter One staff when needed.

It all starts with literacy.