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I Read to Succeed

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Reading allows me to go anywhere I choose to with no limits. The books I read are the rockets that take me to the moon and beyond. As I read through a good book, I am learning something new each time. The more I read, the more control I have of what the future has for me.

Reading opens doors to everything for me. I learn about people and places from all over the world. Reading allows me to dream about new beginnings and shows me that there is always something higher to reach for. My dream is to someday become an architect. I look around this wonderful city and I can see buildings that I will one day design that will be part of the sky line.

If I could not read or did not like to read, I would be in the dark about everything around me. Reading keeps me in the light about a future that can and will be bright for me.