## Volunteering with the FOG Readers Program

- **The Kids Need Your Help!**
  - Half of 3rd and 4th graders in SF are not reading at grade level. FOG Reader students are typically in 1st - 4th grade and need help breaking apart words, with reading comprehension, or both.

- **What You’ll Be Teaching**
  - The goal is to move students away from guessing or skipping words, so you’ll be teaching a curriculum that breaks words into more manageable chunks and works on building vocabulary.

- **Tutor Training**
  - All tutors go through 6 hours of training and one-time fingerprinting (at no cost to you). We thoroughly prepare you to be an effective literacy tutor and also provide follow-up help.

- **Just an Hour a Week**
  - You’ll meet with your student at a library once a week for 45 minutes to 1 hour. When and where you meet is based on your availability— you can meet after work or on the weekends.

- **Effectiveness and Results**
  - Tutors are making a tremendous impact! Students are reading more at home and displaying increased confidence, and on average gaining more than 1/2 grade level in the first 3 months.

- **Benefits of Volunteering**
  - Volunteering has benefits beyond helping a child in need. Tutoring is a great way to build valuable soft skills like communication, adaptability, problem-solving and creativity.

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**What Are You Waiting For? Volunteer!**

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For More Information

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