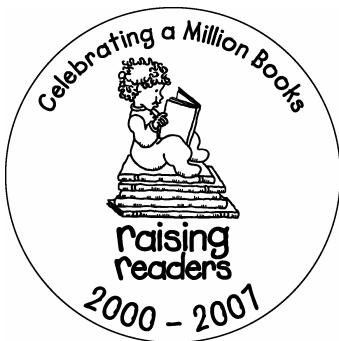




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Raising Readers Update

What's Your Favorite Raising Readers Story?

As you know, we're working on ways to celebrate our upcoming **1 Million Books** milestone. Do you have a favorite story about the program you'd like to share? Maybe one about a time when a child was especially pleased to get a book or a time when you know receiving the books made a real difference to a family? Or simply tell us about what Raising Readers means to your site. Thanks for sharing!

Email your anecdotes to:
info@raisingreaders.org
or, fax to: 761-3033.

Books after Raising Readers

While Raising Readers ends at age five, we thought you'd like to know that the *Read with ME* program gives a book by a Maine author/illustrator to kindergarteners across the state each year. This year the kids will receive *Shape Capers* by Cathryn Falwell. You may recognize her as the author of a former Raising Readers book, *Turtle Splash*.

Report and Order Online

Thinking about trying our online reporting and ordering system? Give us a call and we'll set you up. The feedback from site coordinators already using it has been great.



Time Out for Inventory Mark Your Calendar – Plan Ahead

Shipping more than 165,000 books per year to 375 sites requires that we keep a close eye on our inventory. As the fiscal year closes, we're taking a short time out to reconcile our year-end inventory. This means we have to **hold book and tote orders for several days** to do the reconciliation.



What this means for your site

We won't be able to process and ship orders **September 24 – 28th**. Orders received on those dates will be held and processed to ship on **October 1**.

Please be aware that orders sent to us during this period will take several extra days to reach you and plan accordingly. Thanks for your patience!