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The swedish government constituted a free reading delegation



Why?

- A rich language is a door way to a rich life.
- This is not only a concern for the individual but for the whole society.
- 20% of all 16 years olds in Sweden leave 9th grade of Junior high school without understanding what they read.
- Something had to be done.
- The swedish government had a sense of urgency.

The mission



Contribute to more equal conditions for children and young to achieve a good reading ability and readiness to read.

Participation
as a way of
approaching
the issue has
been key



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Cross sectors



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Prime Minister
acknowledges
the severity



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Crucial areas of focus

Small children's language development at kindergarten

Reading at school

School libraries, librarians as a resource

Reading at the leisure center

Reading in holidays

Libraries and reading

Role models

Follow-up and cooperation around reading

- Mandate from highest level.
- Our findings are to be seen as a package. You can't do two things and skip three others.
- Working across sectors.
- Mobilize not only public sector but also corporate life, civil society organizations etc.

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Questions



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Thank you

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