# **Three R's Tutoring**

## Specializing in reading instruction for elementary school children.

Reading is the fundamental skill upon which all formal education is based. It is estimated that 85 to 90 percent of students who are poor readers, including many classified as learning disabled, could increase their reading skills to average level with intensive, **early instruction** that includes: phonics, listening skills, language development, vo-cabulary, storytelling and writing, exploration of children's literature, and activities that inspire love of reading.

## Resume Jim Walser

## **Educational Information**

Northern Illinois University (1972-1976) B.S. in Education, Major in Elementary Education

## **Employment History**

Chicago Region Interpreters (1993 - present) Storyteller/Educator-programs for schools, libraries, park districts, and scouts

#### Forest Preserve District of DuPage County (1978-2008)

Education Specialist Naturalist Volunteer Liaison

#### York Center Park District (1977-1978)

Outdoor Recreation Supervisor

### Woodridge Golf Course (summers 1973-1977)

Grounds Crew

#### **Pool Association of Downers Grove (summers 1969-1972)** Lifeguard

## **Personal Information**

I am married and have three children. They are all excellent students, including one with a learning disability that affects his reading and writing. Thanks to hard work on his part, excellent elementary teachers, special education enrollment through junior high, and my tutoring, he is a straight A student in college.

Like Aldo Leopold, noted ecologist and author of <u>A Sand County Almanac</u>, two things interest me: my relationship with the earth, and my relationship with other people. In addition, I love reading and telling stories professionally, and am interested in helping young children living in or near Downers Grove, IL read to succeed, as well as to love reading.

