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DO MOMS AND DADS READ BOOKS?

Kazakhstan Institute for Strategic Studies under the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan presents the answers of Kazakhstanis about whether parents read books for themselves or not.

At all times the book was a source of knowledge, acted as a means of intellectual and spiritual development of man. On the part of the state, various measures are taken to create opportunities for people to read books and have access to information.

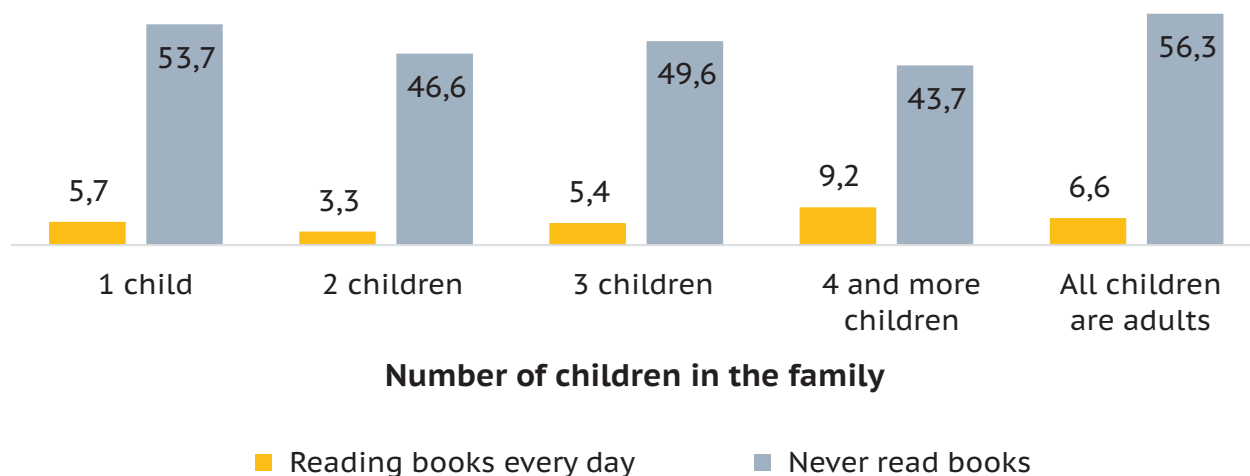
In the fall of 2020, at the fourth meeting of the National Council of Public Trust, K.J. Tokayev said the following: "In today's world, human development is impossible without books and libraries. Libraries around the world are the center of education and culture, a place for new ideas. Despite the rapid development of the electronic format, the educational role of the traditional library will never lose its importance.

It is necessary to note that in Kazakhstan there are about 11 thousand libraries. The year 2021 is announced as the Year of supporting the children and youth reading in the RK, in the frameworks of which a number of appropriate measures are planned all over the country. the Year of supporting the children and youth reading in Kazakhstan Along with the traditional library activities in Kazakhstan the work of the National Electronic Library is being improved.

Nevertheless, we constantly hear about the dissatisfaction of parents to schools, teachers, however... everything starts with the family. And as we know from a long time ago, the best way of education is a personal example. In terms of reading books, what example do Kazakhstanis set for their children?

According to a national sociological survey, **every second respondent who is married never reads books**. Only 5.0% of married respondents read books every day.

The proportion of respondents who have both young and adult children who never read books is very high: 43.7% of those who have four or more children in the family; 53.7% of those who have one child; and 56.3% of respondents who have adult children.



Pic. 1. Do you read books / How many children do you have? (in %)

Research methodology:

The survey method is an interview of a respondent at the place of residence using a route quota selection.

Selection – 2000 respondents aged 18 and over in 77 settlements of urban and rural areas in 14 regions and 3 cities of republican significance. The statistical error does not exceed 3.5%.

Duration – September 2020.