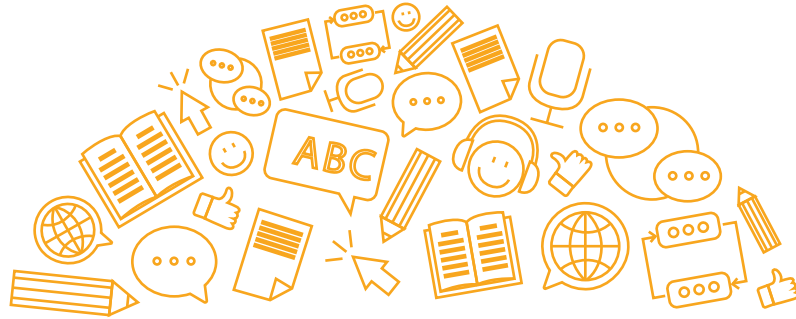


LET'S GET SOUTH AFRICA READING



ABOUT THE NATIONAL READING COALITION



“Be a lifelong student, read as many books as possible”

● Nelson Mandela ●



What is the NRC?

The National Reading Coalition (NRC) was established by the National Education Collaboration Trust (NECT) and the Department of Basic Education (DBE) as a comprehensive national response to the reading challenges facing South Africa. The NRC is a coordinating structure where all reading initiatives and interested stakeholders can come together to share knowledge and successful learning experiences. The NRC functions as an agile, self-sustaining network of reading initiatives; essentially the NRC is a coalition of the willing.

Why the Call to Action?

In 2019 his State of the Nation Address (SONA) the President committed the nation to improving the levels of reading among young people. Furthermore, he challenged the nation to start a reading revolution that would increase the number of South Africans who read for pleasure. The National Reading Coalition has heeded the President's call to join the reading revolution and to improve reading among all people, but especially the young.



How will the National Reading Coalition Improve Reading?

The NRC will improve reading through implementing activities around six value chain areas.



Language, literacy and reading policy

The language, literacy and reading policy value chain area ensures that all NRC activities are aligned to policy. It provides critical feedback to the DBE on the work and impact of the coalition.



Access to reading resources

Access to reading resources aims to increase the supply of, and access to, reading materials in indigenous South African languages.



Research, monitoring and evaluation

Research, monitoring and evaluation promotes promising practices in African language teaching and builds on lessons learnt. Thus, supporting the DBE's research agenda.



Continuing professional teacher development

Continuing professional teacher development (CPTD) serves to enhance serving teachers' abilities in the teaching of reading; it also benefits the learners as they receive reading instruction from more skilled teachers.



Initial teacher education

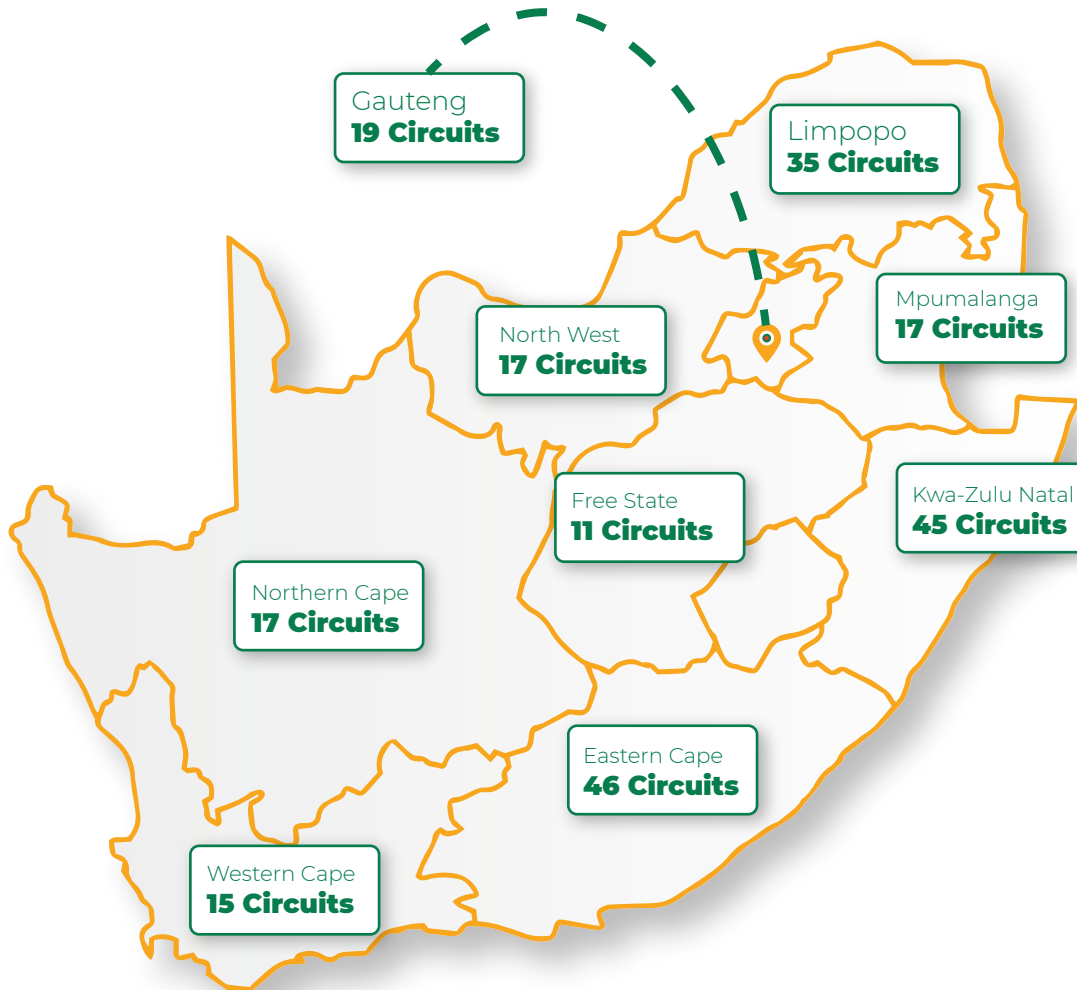
Initial teacher education (ITE) focuses on providing an increase in the number and skills of African language teachers entering the system.



Community support

Community support focuses on mobilising and consolidating the national reading response in communities. The NRC does this by working with NGO partners to inculcate a culture of reading in South Africa.

Footprint in 222 Circuits



How Does The National Reading Coalition Work?



How Can I Join The Revolution?



01 Establish book clubs in communities.



04 Participate in NRC reading activities.



02 Hold read-aloud sessions at work and at home.



05 Participate in reading and writing competitions.



03 Set aside time for reading for pleasure.



06 Collect and distribute books in your communities.



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