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# Will "National Reading" lead to increased reading intensity? Teachers' opinions



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### **Opinion 1**

In my opinion, the National Reading campaign will not bring the expected results as long as politicians are associated with it. They have a reputation in our country as people who do not care about the good of the country, but only about their own well-being and the well-being of their own wallets and people know this. If the National Reading involves people from different backgrounds, there is a chance for its success.

### **Opinion 2**

In my opinion, this is a great action, which should be extended to literature desired by young people. It would involve the young generation in the dissemination of reading in Poland.

### **Opinion 3**

The "National Reading" campaign will certainly have an impact on increased readership. It will not be a large increase, because reading is not perceived today as something important and necessary, but the sight of people interested in literature who are important for the country may inspire those who have so far avoided reading to reach for a book.

### **Opinion 4**

Several years of research indicate that the level of reading remains at a similar level. Nevertheless, we do not know what the reading level would be without the promotion of the "National Reading" campaign. Even if a reader takes part in the campaign by accident, it can contribute to arousing his or her curiosity and, consequently, to increasing interest in reading. In my opinion, any action that promotes the development of reading makes sense and leads to an increase in readership.

### **Opinion 5**

In our opinion, it will not lead.

### **Opinion 6**

We believe that the "National Reading" campaign will not lead to an increase in the number of readers in Poland, because the selection of literature presented during the campaign reaches a specific group of people. It is aimed at older people. We regret to say that the young generation is not interested in classical literature.

### **Opinion 7**

When the action began we felt such a - "national uprising". or rather curiosity about the subject. In my opinion, it was also a "knock on the door" to our patriotic feelings, and thus provoked Poles to take more interest in their cultural heritage, which is our national literature. However, whether this action has influenced or will lead to an increase in readership, it is difficult for me to say. Nonetheless, if at least one

person was motivated to read and reading became a daily occurrence thanks to the campaign, then this would be an indication that such campaigns absolutely must be carried out.

### Opinion 8

I believe that every social initiative that promotes reading, including the reading of national literature, in which large excerpts of works of literature are read in public, including in the mass media, at schools and in libraries, contributes to the growth of the readership in Poland.

### Opinion 9

The media action "National Reading" serves to promote the ruling elites at various levels. I am not convinced at all. Young people do not notice it, because who would like to listen to boomers?

And, frankly speaking, is it attractive to sit on a plastic chair and listen to fragments of books you were (or are) forced to read during lessons?

I don't know who this action is really aimed at. I can't identify the target audience.

I read a lot myself. I avoid national reading. It is artificial.

And since it appeared on the Eighth Grade Examination as an exam task ("Which school book would you suggest as the title for the next edition of the National Reading Program"), I lost interest in the campaign altogether.

### Opinion 10

"National Reading" will only slightly contribute to an increase in reading among young people. The action aims to promote the classics of Polish literature, and students are not willing to devote time to items which they feel are ossified and incomprehensible in their form.

### Opinion 11

National Reading - the event can lead to an increase in reading, provided it is also organized in schools.

### Opinion 12

I think that various reading development campaigns will only have the desired effect if children have good role models in their homes.

Without that, the effectiveness of such campaigns will also be high, but not as high as it could be. Children and adolescents from pathological, uneducated, poor backgrounds will always be less likely to be interested in reading. Just like in Animal Farm - some are equal, others more equal. Unfortunately.

### Opinion 13

The National Reading campaign will not necessarily bring about an increase in reading in Poland. Students will perform the task of listening, but will they benefit from it? Today's youth or children are not necessarily interested in the Great Works of God, which in their opinion are boring and unmodern.

### Opinion 14

I think not, but at least it will stop the downward trend. This action has become a national, local, and media priority. It's just a pity that the campaign is difficult to implement in school libraries, because it is conducted at the beginning of the school year. Certainly it can be repeated at a later date, but it will no longer have that festive atmosphere. What is also important to me in this campaign is that it strengthens the sense of national identity through contact with the greatest works of Polish literature. Maybe it will be easier for Poles to at least mention some important works.

### Opinion 15

National Reading is a beautiful idea. It is certainly very much needed. In the form in which it functions it is a good method of popularising reading. A good example of reading that comes from the President and people of culture is certainly encouraging. Reading together provides a lot of joy in communing with exceptional Polish literature. The National Reading is a unique opportunity to recall exceptional works of Polish literature that have moved generations of our ancestors. For several years now, the National Reading campaign has been attracting larger and larger groups of participants, children and teenagers, retirees and representatives of local governments. I am convinced that it contributes to an increase in readership.

### Opinion 15

Drīzāk nē, nekā jā, jo digitalizācijas dēļ, cilvēkiem ir mazāk iemeslu lasīt. Kā arī, ja cilvēks nevēlas lasīt, tad viņš arī nelasīs. Un tur arī "Nacionālā lasīšana" nepalīdzēs. Viņš to pasākumu var apmeklēt, bet tas nenozīmē, ka šis cilvēks lasīs.

Rather not, because with digitization, people have less reason to read. Also, if a person doesn't want to read, they won't read. And that's where "National Reading" won't help either. They may attend the event, but that doesn't mean that person will read.

### Opinion 15

Labai gaila, bet pagal Jūsu pasidalintā statistiku suprantame, kad nacionalinēs skaitymo akcijās neduda tokio rezultato, kokio tikimasi.

It's a shame, but according to the statistics you've shared, we understand that nationwide reading campaigns are not working.