

# Pointers For Parents

## Taking The Hassle Out Of Homework

(NAPSA)—Each school year the debate over homework is renewed. Should teachers assign homework? How much is too much homework?

However you feel about this subject, most families agree that homework has become a family affair and many parents are seeking ways to make this task easier on their kids and on themselves.

Current research shows that children need to master three key skills to succeed in school—homework habits, test-taking and reading comprehension. A new at-home learning system may help children to master these important skills.

The new program, Hooked on School Success, was created by Gateway Learning Corporation, creators of the popular Hooked on Phonics program, which more than two million families and thousands of schools have purchased to help teach kids to read. It was designed to help children, 8 to 12, achieve higher grades and increase confidence.

“As kids enter the third, fourth and fifth grades, they are faced with many new challenges. Suddenly they have to read to learn and apply what they’re reading to do a mountain of homework. We’ve been flooded with letters from parents asking for help with this problem. The homework piles up and the nightly battle of getting it done just seems overwhelming,” says Jean McKenzie, vice chairman and CEO of Gateway Learning Corporation.



**A new program tests how much a child has learned and provides targeted feedback.**

Presented in four progressively challenging levels, the program follows a skills-practice-play approach that lets children practice new skills in fun, interactive activities.

Throughout the program, easy-to-understand lessons, featuring interactive instruction, memorable songs, fun activities, and captivating stories, written by award-winning authors motivate and boost learning.

At the end of each level, the “Reading Challenge” tests the child’s learning so far and provides targeted feedback as to where the child aced the content or may require more work.

The program is designed to be used just 20 to 30 minutes a night, a few nights a week. The program is backed by a 60-day, money-back guarantee. For more information, call 1-888-742-4127 or visit [www.HOP.com](http://www.HOP.com).