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The Reading Deficit

NAEP Achievement Levels

basic

partial mastery of knowledge and skills fundamental for proficient academic performance

proficient

solid academic performance

advanced

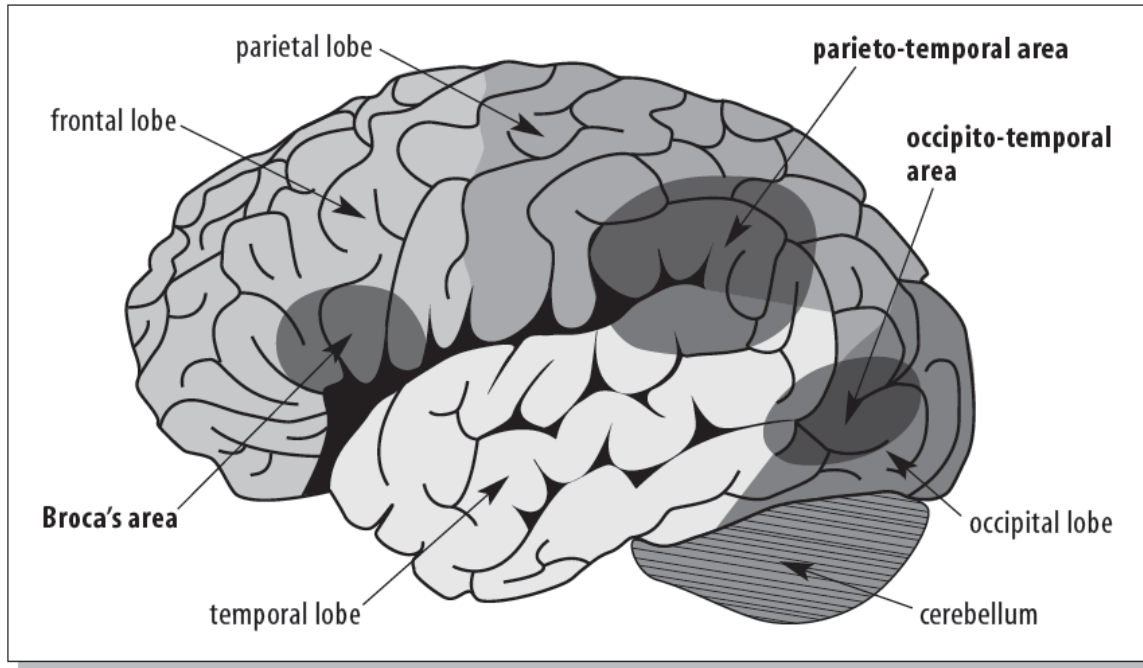
superior academic performance

NAEP Overall Achievement-Level Results in Reading

GRADE	Below Basic	Basic	Proficient	Advanced
Grade 4	32%	31%	28%	9%
Grade 8	24%	40%	32%	4%

National Center for Education Statistics 2017.

The Brain and Reading



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The parieto-temporal and occipito-temporal areas in the back of the brain are especially important to skilled reading. Poor readers underutilized these areas. Evidence-based reading instruction in phonemic awareness and phonics can actually change brain activity in poor readers.

Essential Components of Reading Instruction

- Phonological Awareness
- Phonics
- Fluency
- Vocabulary
- Comprehension