

If You Can Read This :
Linking Literacy, Crime, Health, and
Injury Among Children and Youth

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on Healthy and Safe Communities

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If you can
read this

you're too
close.




**If you can read this
thank an evolutionarily
successful hominid**

HELP ME!!!!
IF YOU CAN READ THIS



IF YOU CAN READ THIS
I lost my pull-behind grill!





**If You Can Read This, Thank A Teacher
Since It's In English, Thank A Soldier!**



**If you can read
this, you're not
the President**

If you can read this I can
hit my brakes and sue you

If you can read this

You can read

If you can read this (likely)

A complex constellation of various personal, familial, neighbourhood, community, social and political, factors have serendipitously come together to create the conditions that have allowed you to gain literacy skills

If you can read this (likely)

Your parents could read

If you can read this (likely)

You're not poor

If you can read this (likely)

You're healthy

If you can read this (likely)

You're not in jail

If you can read this (likely)

You haven't suffered a TBI

Illiteracy is a complex social problem both in cause and effect

New models of collaboration among government and community stakeholders must be developed to ensure (not promote) a literate populace

A bumper sticker campaign
won't get us there

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