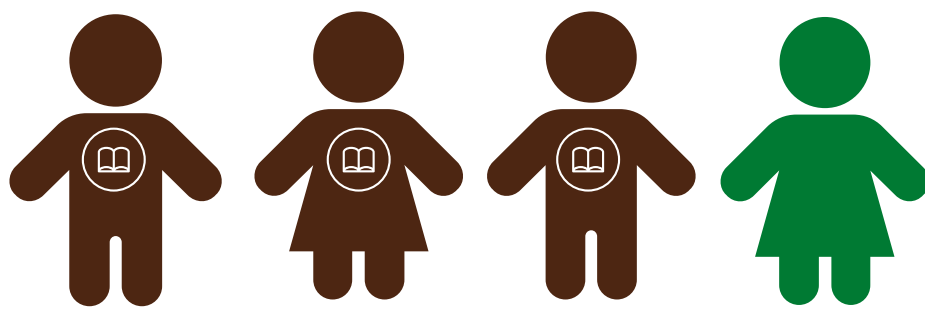


# WHY LITERACY MATTERS

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

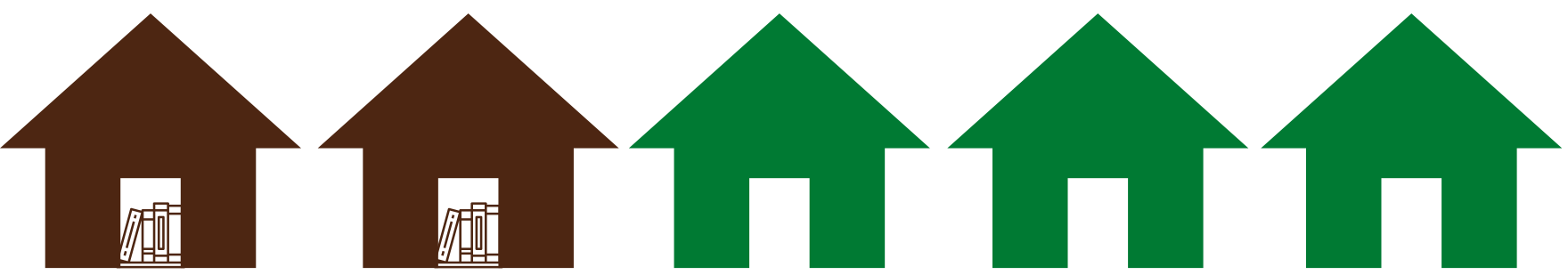
**1 IN 4 CHILDREN IN AMERICA HAVE NOT LEARNED HOW TO READ**



**CHILDREN NOT READING BY 4TH GRADE ARE 4X MORE LIKELY TO DROP OUT OF SCHOOL**



**MORE THAN 1/2 OF LOW-INCOME FAMILIES DO NOT HAVE ONE BOOK IN THEIR HOME**



**75% OF CHILDREN IN THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM CAN'T READ**



**"READING IS A BUILDING BLOCK TO THE FUTURE."**  
-DR. ARTIKA TYNER, PPGJLI FOUNDER