

## Learning A-Z and UNICEF Kid Power Partner to Help Teachers Motivate and Engage Students While Empowering Them to Fight Hunger in Their Communities

**Tucson, AZ—Sept. 9, 2020**—Amidst changes caused by COVID-19, teachers and leaders are looking for resources and strategies to engage students and keep them excited about learning each day. Thanks to a new partnership between <u>Learning A-Z</u> and <u>UNICEF Kid Power</u>, PreK–6 schools now have an innovative way to motivate students to read and learn while encouraging them to help people facing hunger in their communities and across the United States.

Through this partnership, students who use Raz-Plus, Raz-Kids, Headsprout, Science A-Z, Vocabulary A-Z, and Writing A-Z can now convert the digital stars they earn in the programs into virtual coins they can redeem for meals for local families in need. **Educators interested in learning more about how the partnership works, and other ways they can help students make a real-world impact, are invited to attend a <u>webinar</u> presented by Learning A-Z and UNICEF Kid Power on Sept. 24 at 6 p.m. Eastern.** 

Within Learning A-Z's PreK-6 online reading and science instructional resources, students earn digital stars when they read books, complete assignments, and make learning gains. Thanks to the partnership with UNICEF Kid Power, students now have the option to convert those stars into virtual coins they can use to help families struggling with hunger.

"To ensure that impactful learning continues no matter where it takes place, teachers need strategies to engage students and to support their social and emotional well-being as well," said Lisa O'Masta, president of Learning A-Z. "By empowering kids to give back, we can motivate them to reach new heights in their learning and help them experience the satisfaction of helping others."

"Our mission is to inspire kids to believe that they have the power to make a difference in the world every day," said Troy Hickerson, co-founder of UNICEF Kid Power. "When you give kids a sense of purpose, their engagement soars. Whether they're learning and practicing literacy skills with Learning A-Z, or interacting with our Kid Power Up videos that boost physical activity and social-emotional learning, kids see that their activities have an impact and that they can make a difference at school, at home, or anywhere."

To register for the Sept. 24 webinar presented by Learning A-Z and UNICEF Kid Power, please visit: <a href="http://bit.ly/laz-kid-power">http://bit.ly/laz-kid-power</a>

## **About UNICEF Kid Power**

UNICEF Kid Power<sup>®</sup>, a program of UNICEF USA, is a free, interactive video platform that helps children discover how their everyday activities—such as moving and learning—can make a difference in the world. As children interact with Kid Power Up videos, they unlock critical support that UNICEF and its partners distribute to children who need extra support in our global and local communities. To learn more, visit <a href="https://www.UnicefKidPower.org">www.UnicefKidPower.org</a>. To make even more impact (beyond the partnership between Learning A-Z and UNICEF Kid Power), sign up for free at <a href="https://unicefkidpower.org/kidsa-z">https://unicefkidpower.org/kidsa-z</a>.

## About Learning A–Z

Learning A-Z<sup>®</sup> delivers Pre-K–6 literacy solutions that are designed to make teachers' lives easier. Its suite of award-winning digital products are used by more than 8 million students in more than 170 countries and includes: Raz-Plus<sup>®</sup>, Reading A-Z<sup>®</sup>, Raz-Kids<sup>®</sup>, Headsprout<sup>®</sup>, Science A-Z<sup>®</sup>, Writing A-Z<sup>™</sup>, and Vocabulary A-Z<sup>™</sup>. Learning A-Z is a business unit of Cambium Learning<sup>®</sup> Group, Inc.

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