### EVIDENCE AS A SERVICE RESEARCH SUMMARY

# Newsela Impact on California Schools August 2017

#### Study Summary

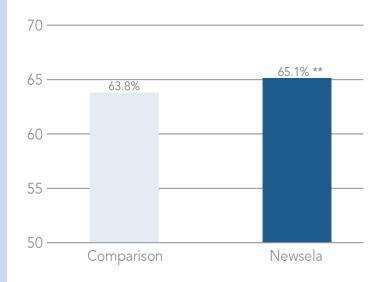
This study examined Newsela's effect on student reading performance in over 2,500 California schools. Reading achievement on the California state assessment in Newsela schools was compared to matched comparison schools not using Newsela.

#### Study Results

- The number of students performing near or above standard was higher in schools actively using Newsela compared to non-Newsela schools.
- Improvement in reading scores was equivalent to 24 extra days of reading instruction.
- Newsela's positive impact was seen across all subgroups of students.
- Newsela usage was positively correlated with reading performance.



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## PERCENT OF STUDENTS PERFORMING NEAR OR ABOVE STANDARD

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