

Najib Hopes Malaysians Still Indulge In Reading 1
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KUALA LUMPUR, March 26 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak hopes Malaysians will continue to indulge in reading as often as they can, during their leisure time.

The prime minister said he certainly missed the pleasure of a good book, from time to time.

"Given that most of my time is dedicated to my duties as prime minister, I cherish the rare moments that I can spend, however I want to. Like, reading a book.

"I did just that recently, and picked up the biography of the late Steve Jobs. Books like this are what I grew up on: history, strategic thinking and biographical accounts of public figures.

"A quick glance around my library will show you that not much has changed; my reading preferences still veer towards non-fiction writings," he said in his latest entry in the blog, www.1Malaysia.com today.

Najib said admittedly, non-fiction books did not offer the sort of possibilities and scenarios that fiction did, which were limited only by imagination, and yet, non-fiction books underlined a powerful message: that of the true human condition.

"These are narratives rooted in real situations, real trials and triumphs, experienced by people like us, not constructs of our imagination.

"In turn, they inspire numerous reinterpretations on print, screen, and stage, which I'm sure most of you can name, at least a few.

"The remarkable fortitude of icons like Nelson Mandela, or Sir Winston Churchill, or the invaluable insights of Malcolm Gladwell or W. Chan Kim and René Maupourgne, have and will continue to fuel our aspirations for the future," he said.

Therefore, Najib asked Malaysians to share their reading recommendations by giving their comments in his blog as it would be interesting to see what they are reading nowadays.

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