

Reading books together

- Before you start reading, look and talk about the title of the book and the picture on the cover. Try to use open ended questions.
- Take a walk through the book looking at the pictures before reading it. Have fun with the pictures.
- Imagine what people are saying to each other.
- Read the story.
- Re-read it and allow your child to pick the same book again and again if desired.
- On first reading of a story, it is best to read it without interruption.
- Recall main events or re-tell the story in their own words, prompting and encouraging where necessary.
- Make reading part of your daily routine.
- Visit the library regularly
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