

Tips For Reading with Children

1. Read with your child every day

- * Read with your child for at least 20 minutes every day.
- * Give children your full attention when you are reading together.

2. Read for enjoyment

- * Let children choose the books they are interested in.
- * Let children touch the books, turn the pages and discover the pictures.
- * Let children read to you.
Or read aloud to the children.

3. Stop reading when your child loses interest

- * Short sessions are effective. You should not make your children read books they dislike.
- * Re-read the child's favorites. Young children often want the same story read over and over again.

4. Be expressive

- * Enthusiasm is important. Give different voices to different characters.
- * Use drama and excitement to make the story come alive.

5. Get to know the book

- * Give children time to comment on what they see and hear. Ask about numbers and shapes.
- * Relate the story to your children's experiences. Share opinions.



6. Visit your local library

- * Go often. Borrow and read many different kinds of children's books to discover and increase your child's interests. Also, don't forget that your library's computer provides the perfect opportunity to introduce your children to the Internet. Go online with them and show them how to do research for school projects and papers.
- * Borrow a good selection of beautiful, expensive books. Children deserve the best!

7. Be a role model

- * Children learn from example. If they see parents reading they will also want to read!



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