

Tips for Parents



- **Read together every day.** Make this a special time to cuddle and share stories.
- **Have fun reading!** Use fun or silly voices to add humor and expression for different characters.
- **Be interactive!** Engage your child so that she or he will actively listen and participate in the story. Talk about the story, point out the illustrations, and ask questions!
- **Read it again!** Kids love to hear favorite books over and over again. Go ahead! Research suggests that repeated readings helps development of language skills.
- **Observe print.** Talk about written words and letters that you see around you.
- **Know when to stop.** If your child loses interest or has trouble paying attention, put the book away for a while. Reading should be a positive enjoyable experience. You can try again later!



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