



“Children learn to read through interactions: listening to a story, commenting about the pictures and the print, and discussing ideas.”

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Let's visit a Library or an Early Years Centre.



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Read To Me

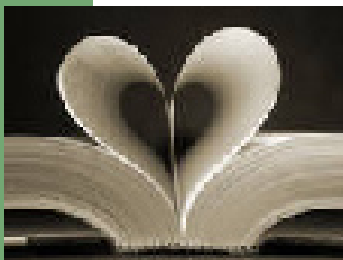


... sharing books
with Preschoolers!

Make time to read together each day!

Choosing Books

- Books with lots of rhyming words and nonsense words are great for this age.
- Choose short stories that relate to everyday events.
- Try a variety of books that focus on important concepts like alphabet, colours, counting and shapes.
- Kids this age love non-fiction like books about farms, trucks or animals.
- Look for stories that can be acted out such as "The 3 Little Pigs".
- Introduce folk tales and fairy tales from other countries.
- Look for books with a favourite character or by a familiar author.



Tips From Your Child

- Please give me your full attention when reading aloud to me.
- Can we try to read everyday for a total of at least twenty minutes?
- Let me choose the books I am interested in.
- I like to 'pretend read' and take turns reading with you.
- Ask me lots of questions and listen to what I have to say.
- Ask me to make predictions or guess what might happen next.
- Let's talk about the story even after we're finished with the book.



Parents As Readers

- ◆ Make books readily accessible to your child and within his reach at home.
- ◆ Encourage your preschooler to tell the story in his own words. Talking with your child is one of the best ways to build language skills.
- ◆ Help your child become familiar with sounds and words. Look for the same sound throughout the story.
- ◆ Move your finger under the words to make the connection to print.
- ◆ Read from magazines, newspapers, flyers, catalogues and signs. Introduce poetry and riddles.
- ◆ Count everything and ask 'I wonder how many...?'