



Reading with Your Child

Reading at home will make a HUGE difference in your child's school success! Make reading part your everyday routine. There are so many positive things that happen while reading. Listening skills improve, new words are introduced and vocabulary is expanded. Reading just 10- 15 minute a day will benefit your child.

Things to talk about while reading with your child:

- Discuss where the cover of the book is and the title of the book.
- Who are the authors and illustrators?
- What do the pictures tell us about the story?
- Talk, comment, and ask questions about the characters and setting as you read the book. How does the character feel? Etc.
- Find letters in the book your child knows, or letters in their name.
- Predict what may happen next in the story.
- Point out words that rhyme.
- Ask questions as you read the book.
- Act out the story with your child! Make different voices for each character.
- Introduce and talk about new words and their meaning.
- Have your child turn the pages.
- Notice patterns in the text and illustrations.
- Have your child reread the pictures to you.
- You can never read a book too many times! Each time your child reads or listens to a book again, he/she gains new knowledge and builds fluency

Most importantly have FUN reading with your child. This special time will last a life time.

