



Read With Your Preschooler

- 📖 An easy habit is to read three books a day - two familiar stories and perhaps one that is new.
- 📖 Be enthusiastic and smile! Read with a lot of expression. Change your voice and volume.
- 📖 Allow plenty of time to look at and talk about the pictures. Let your child turn the pages.
- 📖 Pause to ask questions about the characters and events. Encourage conversation. Make up a new character or ending.
- 📖 Point out letters and sounds, such as letters in your child's name. Clap or jump the syllables in the characters' names.
- 📖 Sometimes move your finger under the words as you read. Your child can say "stop" when you come to a dot (period).
- 📖 Use book terms, such as cover, page, word, and sentence. Prompt your child to retell the story. What happened in the beginning, middle, and the end?



Read With Your School-Age Child

- 📖 Relax and enjoy 20 happy minutes with your child. Share insights and ideas with each other while you read.
- 📖 Take turns reading; you read one paragraph or page and your child reads the next.
- 📖 Be enthusiastic and encouraging. Talk about the book and appreciate your child's effort.
- 📖 Go to the library often. Find topics that interest your child, such as animals, jokes, or heroes. Reread favorites.
- 📖 Ask your child's teacher or your librarian for a list of books that are good for your child's age and reading level.
- 📖 Chapter and series books provide lots of practice and entertainment.



Read Together 20 Minutes Every Day™