

Building a Love of Reading with your child

ways to Read with your child at Home

Choral Read

During a choral read you read the book together at the same time. This helps build fluency and word recognition. One way to do this is to read poems or nursery rhymes together.

Echo Read

During an echo read you read a portion of the book and then your child echoes back what you just read. This allows your child to hear the structure of the page, encourages those who struggle decoding the words, and helps build fluency and voice when reading. Books that are repetitive or poetry work really well for an echo read.

Partner Read

During a partner read you read one portion of the book like a page, and your child reads the next portion or page. Together you take turns reading. This is a great strategy for kids who are reluctant to read. This allows them to do "half" the work but encourages twice the fun! You can use this strategy with any book you pick!

3 ways to Read a Book

Read the Pictures

While you are reading with your child you can read the pictures. Pictures give us so much extra detail about the stories we are reading. Children can use their imagination to follow the characters throughout the story, as well as the plot and setting. This is also a great strategy for those children who do not have the word knowledge to read the words.

Read the words

Along with reading the pictures, you can read the words. Use one of the strategies above to make reading fun together. While you read the words you can match what you are reading to any pictures presented.

Retell the story

After reading either the pictures or the words another way to engage with the story is to retell it. You can use the book as guidance or try to recall the information without the use of the book.





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Use this Tic-Tac-Toe Choice Board as a way to encourage a love of reading. You can choose to listen to or read any of these books with your child. The idea is to get 3 in a row, up and down, side to side, or diagonally. You could also choose to do a black out and do all the options.

Tic	Tac	Toe
Read a Nonfiction Story	Listen to an Audiobook	Read a fairytale, Folktale, or fable
READ ABOUT A CHARACTER DIFFERENT THAN YOU	Free Choice	Read a Book that Won an Award
READ THE PICTURES	Read a book published this year	Read a book with infographics

