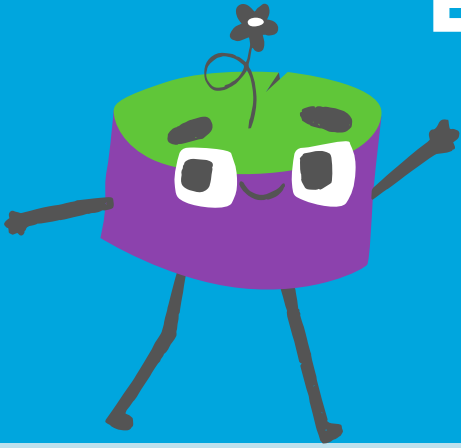


EXPLORE BOOKS TOGETHER!



Exploring books and reading together are important for your student's reading development! These activities are designed to promote curiosity, foster a love of reading, and build skills while enjoying books together.

PARTS OF THE BOOK

Together notice the front of the book, the back of the book, and how to hold the book to read it from beginning to end.



START AT THE BEGINNING

Ask, "What do you see on the cover?," "Can you describe the picture?," "Can you spot a letter you know?" and "What do you think this book may be about?"

READ TOGETHER

- If the book tells a story: Read each page with feeling and expression! You may ask: "What is happening here?" and "What do you wonder?"
- If the book tells information: Read each page or use the table of contents to find an interesting topic to learn more about. You may ask: "What are you learning?" "What do you see"(in the photo/illustration?) "What do you wonder?"
- If your student wants to try reading the words on their own, great. They may also choose to read the pictures, this is just fine, too. Keep it fun and light, offering support to ensure they feel successful.

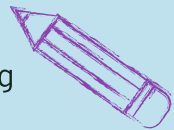


AFTER READING ASK QUESTIONS

Ask, "What did you learn?," "What was your favorite fact/part of the story?," "Do you think [a friend or family member] would like this book?"

SHARE YOUR THINKING IN DRAWING OR WRITING

Your student can use pictures or words to: Tell a favorite part or interesting fact from the book, make their own cover for the book, or tell a new story.



RETURN TO THE BOOK

Look for familiar letters or words on each page. If the concept of letters is new to your student, write their name and look for each letter on a page in the book.