

Interactive Read Aloud (IRA): Actively listening to a story or text.

IRA is meant to take the struggle and work out of reading, making it enjoyable and fun for all! Parents, siblings, teachers, or even online resources can be used for IRA.

READING **at HOME**

Supports for Grades 3 - 5

1

Have a conversation and ask questions about the text.

IRA provides a real life context for learning to have a discussion. What is the author trying to teach us? What is their message or the moral or theme of the story?

2

Mix it up to have a variety of genres.

Think fiction books, fairy tales, picture books, science fiction, historical fiction, nonfiction books, magazine articles, poetry.

3

Pay attention to the illustrations, photographs, and artwork of the text.

How do these enhance understanding and support what the author is saying?

4

Look for new and interesting words, onomatopoeia (i.e. pop, buzz), or find figures of speech to learn.

5

ENJOY IT!

We want to create lifelong readers and learners. Enjoying a story together is the main goal!

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