

Developing Oral Language...

Read and Talk About Books!

Tips for Reading with your child.

- Let your child choose the book
- Find a comfy spot to sit side by side so your child can see the words as you read.
- Use your finger to model how we read left to right.
- Read with expression to keep the story interesting.
- Choose some books with rhymes and rhythm or predictable patterns. Have your child try to join in with the rhymes or patterns.

Questions to inspire conversation:

- If you could be friends with any character in the book, who would it be and why?
- What was the most (exciting, scary, sad) part of the book?
- What surprised you most about the story? Why was it surprising?
- Is there anything in this story that is similar to something that has happened in your life? What was it and how is it similar?
- What would you do in a situation similar to that faced by a character in the story?
- How would you change the book's ending if you could re-write it?
- Do you think this book would make a good TV show or movie? Why?
- What lesson do you think we can learn from this book?



Reading to your child every day inspires conversation, enriches language experiences, increases vocabulary, and encourages a love of reading! Not to mention, it's a fun, easy, way to spend quality time together.