



Before, During, and After Reading with Your Child...

Tips for Parents

Before Reading	During Reading	After Reading
<p>Choice: Allow your child to choose which book to read.</p> <p>Picture Walk: Flip through each page looking at the pictures to determine what the story is about.</p> <p>Predict: Ask your child...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -What characters do you think might be in the book? -Will be a problem in the story and why? -What may happen in the story based on the pictures? <p>Prior Knowledge: Ask your child what they already know about the topic of this book.</p> <p>Vocabulary: Talk about words in the story that are unknown or important in comprehending the story.</p>	<p>Character Act: Have your child act out characters' actions.</p> <p>Predict: Ask your child what they think will happen next.</p> <p>Discuss the text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Who are the characters? -What's the setting? -What's the problem and the solution? <p>Reread: Have your child reread a favorite line or part of the story with you.</p> <p>Write: Use sticky notes to make notes about the character, setting, and events in the story.</p> <p>Vocabulary: Discuss word meanings in context using context clues.</p> <p>Setting: Draw a map of the setting(s) in the book, including labels.</p> <p>Make Connections: Ask your child to connect the story to something they have seen in a movie, in another book, or experienced in their own life.</p>	<p>Write: Have your child draw a picture of his favorite part of the story and write about the drawing.</p> <p>Be creative: Have your child retell the story in his/her own words but change the characters or how the story ends. Use props and costumes and act out a favorite part of the story.</p> <p>Word search: Turn to any page of the book. Ask your child to point to words that you call out to him.</p> <p>List it: Make a list of the words your child could not read and review them at the end of the reading.</p> <p>Vocabulary: Discuss the meaning of new words discovered during the reading of the story. Have your child use the vocabulary word in a sentence.</p> <p>Book Review: Write a postcard or letter to a sibling/neighbor/friend that includes a brief overview of the text and explain your thoughts about it (why or why not you enjoy it).</p> <p>Discuss it: Talk to your child about what intrigues, bothers, or confuses them about the book.</p>

