

3 TIPS FOR SHARING BOOKS

Share books for just 15 minutes each day to help your child learn and grow.

Follow the <u>child's</u> pace

- You don't have to finish the story or even read it in order. You can read only one page or even start at the end of the book.
- Let the child choose the book and when to read so it doesn't become a chore.
- Repetition is great for brain development. Sharing the same stories over and over again helps children build self-confidence and reading skills.

Make it a conversation

- Comment: "Look at that big brown bear!"
- Ask Questions: "How many dogs do you see?" "Why is the girl smiling?"
- Respond with new information :

Child: "Look! Duck!" *Adult*: "You're right! It's a <u>white</u> duck with a <u>yellow beak</u>."

• Feel free to ignore the words on the page! With your imagination and the pictures in the book, invent your own story using the language that you are most comfortable speaking.

Have Fun!

- Use silly voices and sounds. Sing songs.
- Move around and act things out.
- Make connections to the child's life







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