

# Reading with your child

**TWENTY MINUTES A DAY IS ALL IT TAKES TO BUILD KEY READING SKILLS. HERE ARE FIVE WAYS TO HELP YOUR CHILD BECOME A BETTER READER.**



## 1.) CREATE READING RITUALS AND READ TOGETHER EVERY DAY.

Bed time is a great time for this! Snuggle up with your child and a good book as part of your child's bedtime routine.

## 2.) READ WITH EXPRESSION

Not only does this keep your child engaged in the story, but it also improves their future reading fluency. Get creative while you are reading aloud. Try different voices, read with a different accent, change your volume, or project a particular emotion in your voice.



## 3.) TALK ABOUT THE PICTURES IN THE STORIES AND ASK YOUR CHILD QUESTIONS.



Start the book by looking at the pictures and talking about what you see. What colors do you see? How many animals or people are in the picture? What do you think might happen?

## 4.) READ YOUR CHILD'S FAVORITE BOOK AGAIN AND AGAIN.

Repetition is good for children. When a child reads or hears the same book multiple times, they become familiar and comfortable with a greater number of words.



## 5.) RECORD YOURSELF READING AND PLAY IT ON CAR TRIPS OR AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO TELEVISION.

*Children are made readers  
in the laps of their  
parents.*