

Reading Tips

to Help Your Child Succeed

- Make reading part of every day, even for just a few minutes. Find the parts of your day where you can add time to read, and areas where you can keep books, so they are always available. Consider downloading a virtual library on your cell phone or tablet.
- Talk about how the pictures in books and articles help you understand the text.
- Show your child the cover page and ask for predictions regarding what the text will be about.
- Listen to your child read.
- Read the story using different voices for each of the characters. Have fun!
- Choose an array of books that spark your child's interests, such as sports, historical figures, music, mystery, or adventure.
- Ask questions about text your child reads. What did you learn? What was the author's purpose? What are the most important points?
- Allow your child to ask questions about the story. Talk about familiar activities and objects.
- Let your child retell the most important points of a text.
- Encourage your child to reflect on what was read by writing a summary, journal entry, or short reflection.
- Visit your local library often!

