

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 and magazines so they are always available. Consider downloading a virtual library on your cell phone or tablet.
- Talk about how the pictures and images in books and articles help you better 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 chapter 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!

