

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.
- Show your child the cover of the book and ask what they think the text will be about.
- Talk about the pictures in books. You do not have to read the book to tell a story.
- Let your child turn the pages when you read together. If your child can read the book allow him or her to read to you.
- Run your finger along the words as you read them. If your child is reading, have him or her do the same.
- Read the story using different voices for each of the characters. Have fun!
- Choose books about events in your child's life, such as starting school, going to the dentist or taking care of pets.
- Ask questions about the story. What do you think will happen next? What is this? How does this character feel?
- Let your child ask questions about the story.
- Talk about familiar activities and objects.
- Let your child retell the story.
- Visit your local library often!

