

HOW TO R.E.A.D. with your *kids*

HELPING YOU MAKE THE MOST OF FAMILY READING TIME



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routine

Begin habits at an early age by reading to your child as a newborn. Read something with your child everyday and at a certain time of day, like bedtime. Have a weekly trip to your local library to find more reading materials.



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explain

As you read with your child, ask questions about the images in the book and wonder what might happen next in the story. This allows children to develop comprehension skills. For older kids, talk about the difference between fiction and nonfiction stories.



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access

Have plenty of books available for your child. Visit the library often. Bring books along when you are in waiting rooms and listen to audiobooks in the car. Have books in multiple rooms of the house. Reread favorite stories.



D

dynamic

Make reading time active. Let your child turn the pages. Draw pictures about the story. Play make believe. Incorporate related arts & crafts activities, too. Trace letters with your finger to teach letter recognition for young children.