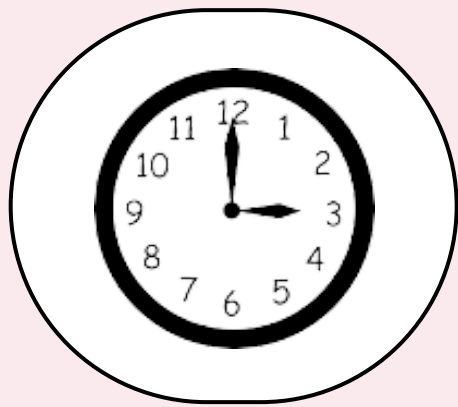
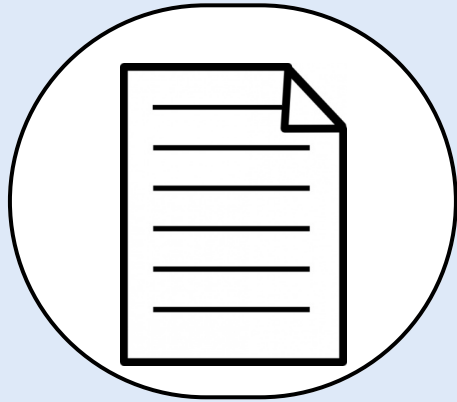


READING TIPS FOR HOME



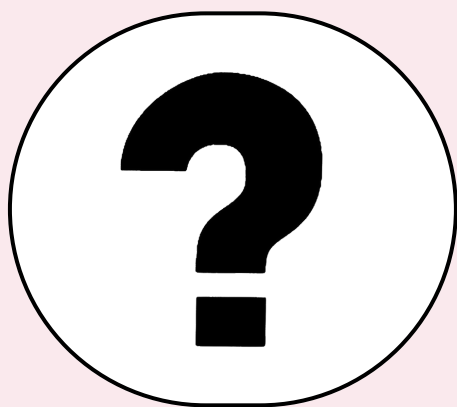
BUILD READING INTO THE DAILY ROUTINE

Find a regular time for reading in your child's day, so that they can begin to expect it as part of their routine. It might be better for some children to read just after dinner, or in the morning after breakfast, when they have more energy.



CONCENTRATE ON READING QUALITY

Don't worry too much about the 'what' and 'how' of reading each day. Books are great—but leaflets, comics, recipes and instructions on a webpage can all be great too. Why not set your child a reading challenge: How many different things can you read in a week?



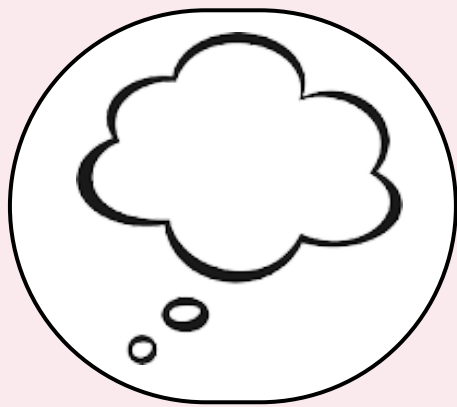
ASK LOTS OF QUESTIONS

Shared reading is about 'reading with', not just 'reading to'. Ask lots of 'Wh' questions, such as Who? What? When? Where? Why? Try them when talking about books: for example, 'what do you think Harry is feeling?'



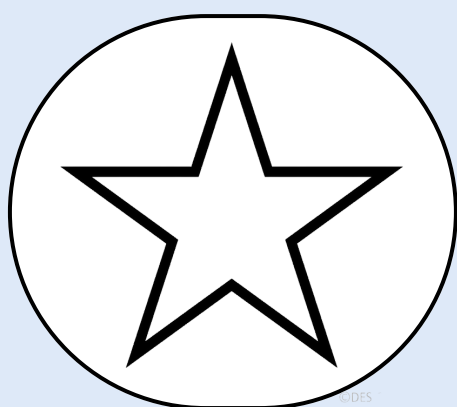
ASK YOUR CHILD TO MAKE PREDICTIONS

If it is a book, look at the front cover—or the last chapter—and talk about what might happen next. Look for clues in the book and be a reading detective! For example, 'can you see the fox on the front cover? Why do you think he's so sad?'



ASK YOUR CHILD TO SUMMARISE WHAT THEY HAVE READ

When you've finished reading, talk about what happened. Think about how the characters behaved and interesting things that happened in the plot.



MAINTAIN A MOTIVATION TO READ

Talk about the joy of reading whenever you can. Give your child choices about what they read, being in control is great motivation! Encourage them to recommend books to family and friends.