

## Reading Reminders for your Children

- Look at the pictures.
- Start the sentence.
- Think of a word that looks like the one you don't know.
- Search for known phonics.
- Reread and look for chunks like  
*ch, oo, ng, ai, er, sh, ee, igh etc.*
- Does it sound right?
- Read on and think does it make sense?
- Have an educated guess.
- Look for keywords.
- Try missing the tricky word out read on then go back.
- Split the word and blend *Wed-nes-day*.
- Match the sounds to letters.

## Helping your Child to Succeed with Reading

Have fun talking, listening, telling stories and reading together.

Access a range of creative stories, picture books, websites, e books and Apps.

Join the Library.

Enjoy reading everywhere  
- cereal boxes, adverts,  
news headlines, go online  
read web pages.

Talk about what you have read.

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### Crack the Code

Teach the building blocks for reading.

Phonics

High

Frequency Words

Ask the teacher to send books home to suit your child's reading and interest level.

## Tips

Make reading a way of spending regular time together.

Switch off the TV and your mobile.

Talk about stories you liked growing up and make up stories to develop imagination.

Choose a book your child likes.

Read favourite books again and again.

If it is a harder book read it aloud but let your child read the easy bits.

Talk about what you have read together  
This helps to develop comprehension and vocabulary.

Think of questions to ask about the text.

Discuss characters feelings.

Ask what your child would do in the story.

## What should I do when my child makes mistakes reading?

- It's ok to make mistakes when learning a new skill.
- Give lots of praise and encouragement for words and phonics they get right.
- At the start of each reading time go over words and phonics they repeatedly get stuck with (make flash cards).
- Encourage overlearning and repetition this is how we learn.
- Tell your child you enjoyed hearing them read.
- Encourage them to do it again to boost confidence and self esteem.

