

# Ways a Parent Can Help with **READING**

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**Let your child see you reading!**

Have magazines and books in your home.

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Help your child find appropriate word & reading games on the computer.

Keep a dictionary on hand. Help your child look up new words they read or hear.

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**Read mysteries with your child and try to figure out the clues together.**

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**Movie version coming out?**

Read the book together first, then talk about which you each liked better.

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**Set aside a time and place for your child to read -**

like a comfy chair and a reading light in a quiet place

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**Visit your public library regularly.**

Look for and read together the books that were your favorites when you were a kid.

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**Encourage your child to write -**

letters, thank you notes, emails, journals, lists, stories about their own trips, events, and daily life

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**Ask your child questions about what he or she is reading, such as:**

- What is the story about?
- Who are the important characters in the story?
- Where does the story take place?
- Why do you think the character made that choice?
- Why did that happen?
- How did you know about...?
- Would you recommend this book to your friends?

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**Ask your child to draw a comic strip about what happens in the story.**

Provide word searches, crossword and other word games and puzzles, or help your child make his/her own



**Share with your child about what you're reading... and encourage your child to do the same**