

Tips and Ideas for Any Book

- Before you open the book, look at the front and back covers together. Ask your child about what they see and what they think the story might be about.
- Open the book and look through the pictures first. Talk about what you think is happening in the story.

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- When you are reading the book, make sure you read all the words on the page, including the words in the pictures, speech bubbles, words in boxes, signs etc.
- Ask questions while reading; why they think something is happening in the story or how they feel about the story.

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- Can you retell the story using a different setting (e.g. the moon, the jungle)?
- Can you summarise the story (retell just the important points) in one minute?
- Design a new front cover for the book.
- Can you tell the story from another point of view?

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- You can read to your child, they can read to you, or you can take turns reading a page or paragraph each.
- Remember, even if your child can read a book for themselves, it's still a good idea to read to them!

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- When you have finished reading, talk about your favourite characters. What would you ask them if they came for a visit?
- Did anything in the book remind you of another book, film, TV show, or something about your own life? Talk about how they are similar, or different.

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Reading Together.

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- What are the characters like in this story? Would you like to be friends with them? Why/why not?
- Can you think about words that describe the characters: what they look like and their personality?
- Can you create a sound story using your voice or musical instrument to represent characters in the story?

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- Where does the story take place? Have you ever been somewhere like that?
- When does the story take place? Is it now, in the past or in the future? Have you read any books set in the past or the future?

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- Do you think the plot (the events) of the story is exciting? Could you guess what was going to happen or were there surprises?
- How else could the story have turned out? Can you make up a new ending?

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