

# How to make reading more engaging

Strategies to use before, during, and after reading



## Before Reading



Read the title, author, and illustrator.

Make a prediction about the book.

Read the blurb on the back.

Connect the topic of the book to other information.

Ask why your child choose this book to read.

Set a purpose for reading.



## During Reading



Make personal connections to the characters or events.

Predict what might happen next.

Discuss the characters' emotions.

Look for words that start with familiar letters.

Ask "What happened on this page?"



## After Reading



Discuss what happened in the beginning, middle, and end of the book.

Discuss your favorite part of the story.

Connect the characters or events to another book you've read.

If it was a nonfiction book, talk about what you learned.

