

Read-Alouds at Bedtime

What are the benefits of reading aloud?

There are so many! Here are just a few:

- Children hear effective reading.
- Books spark conversation.
- Young children develop book sense (direction of print, recognition that letters represent sounds and that words hold meaning).
- Children realize that books are fun!
- The routine of bedtime stories creates time to connect with your child(ren).

Tips for Reading Aloud:

- Look at the title and cover and **make predictions** about the book.
- Read with **expression**.
- Encourage your child to **look closely and talk about the pictures**.
- **Ask questions** and **talk** about the book before, during or after reading!
- **Reread** books: children love to hear their favourites again and again!
- **Don't stop** reading aloud to your child(ren) just because they are readers themselves!

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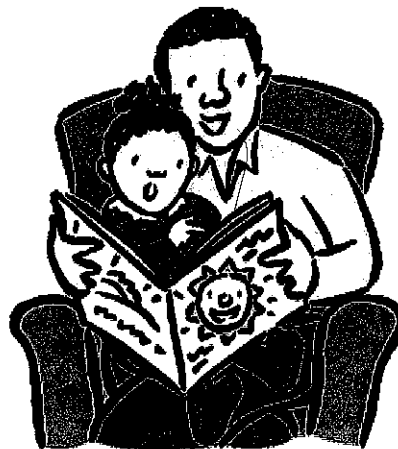
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