



Sharing books

Sharing a book is a great way to help your child learn language

Sit so you can both see

Sit close together, so that you and your child can see each others faces as you look at the book together.

Talk to them about what you can see

You don't need to read books word for word. Pay attention to what they look at on the page and talk about that.

Let them be in charge of the book

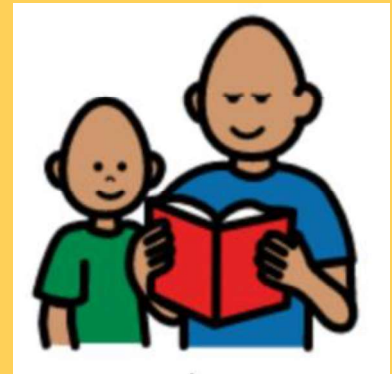
Hold the book so you can both see it and let your child turn the page, they may not look at every page in order. Let them tell you the story if they want to.

Add on to what they say

If they say a word, build on the word by adding words around it. So if they say 'apple', you could say 'yes, apples on the tree'.

Have fun!

Use funny voices, faces and actions to bring the book to life.



See this idea in action

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