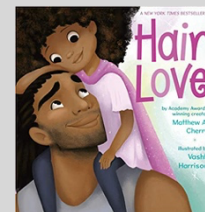




Hair Love

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Reading with your child is an excellent way to expose your child to words, topics, and ideas that are more complex than what they would see in books they can read on their own. To help make story time more interactive consider using the PEER method described below. Read more about the PEER method [here](#).

PEER

PROMPT

Prompt your child with a question. This will help your child engage more deeply with the book.

Example: Point to an object in the picture. "What is that?"

EVALUATE

Evaluate your child's response by agreeing or clarifying.

Example: "That's right! That's a balloon."

EXPAND

Expand on your child's response by connecting it to something they have experienced or by being more descriptive.

Example: "That's a big, red balloon! We saw one of those yesterday!"

REPEAT

Repeat the prompt you started with and encourage your child to use what you've discussed to answer again.

Activities

- » I Love Myself: Ask your child to share three reasons why they love themselves with you.
- » Self-Portrait: Have your child gather materials from outside or around the house that they can use to create a self-portrait. Play along with them and create your own self-portrait as well!
- » Hair Illustration: Ask your child to illustrate a picture of themselves with different hair! When their illustration is complete, encourage them to tell you about their illustration orally.
- » Empathy: Explain to your child what empathy means. Tell them about a time when you showed empathy towards someone else. Ask your child, "Can you think of a time that you have showed empathy?"

