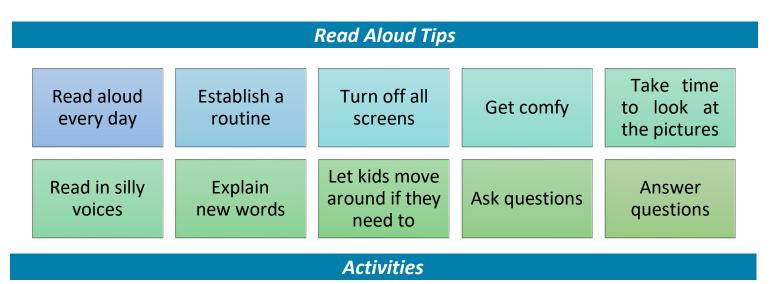


Reading with your child is an excellent way to expose your child to words, topics, and ideas that are more complex than what they would see in books they can read on their own.



» Before Reading: Ask your child to look at the front cover of the book and make a prediction as to what they think the story will be about.

» During Reading: Ask your child to join in reading the parts of the story that they are familiar with. For example, at the appropriate time, say, "What does the Big Bad Wolf say?"

- » Letter Hunt: Ask your child to point out letters in their environment. This is a great activity for car rides!
- » Alphabet Matching: Create two sets of alphabet cards, one of uppercase letters and one of lowercase letters. Work with your child to match the appropriate uppercase and lowercase letters together.
- » My Favorite Story: Ask your child to illustrate a picture of them reading their favorite story. When they are finished, take the time to read that story together.
- » Beginning Sounds: Give your child a one syllable word and ask them to identify the sounds that the word begins with. Examples of words may include: cat, dog, bat, hop, pot, tap.







