



Read-aloud Quick Tips

- Establish a time and comfortable place to read every day.
- Pick a book you love and that the kids are excited to read.
- Look at the front cover and have the kids make predictions.
- Ask the kids what they know about the author, subject, or series.
- Choose a word for which the kids can listen and have them touch their nose when they hear it.
- Don't be afraid to read slowly. Take plenty of time to show the illustrations.
- Invite the kids to say parts of the book that repeat.
- Read with expression and get creative with the characters' voices.
- Read aloud to older kids, too! You can read a little bit of a chapter book each day.
- Invite older kids to help you read aloud.
- If it's a great book...read it again!
- Ask the kids how many stars they would give the book and why.
- Think outside the box! You can read in the hallway, during lunch, while waiting in line, riding the bus, on a field trip, or during a transition.
- Get creative with what you read! Poems, song lyrics, recipes, comics, joke books, shopping lists, stories, fairy tales, newspapers, magazines, internet articles, street signs...they all "count."
- Most importantly, have fun!

