

10 WAYS TO ENCOURAGE GOOD READING HABITS WITH YOUR CHILDREN

Try these 10 tips to encourage good reading habits with your child by making reading fun.

1. CREATE A READING AREA.

Make an area for your child to read in with his or her help. Grab a bean bag chair, fun accessories, a variety of books, and your child will have his or her own cozy reading corner.

2. ENCOURAGE READING AT HOME AND EVERYWHERE IN BETWEEN.

Teach your child that reading is more than just for books. Practice reading menus, movie names, road signs, game instructions, and more—show your child reading is everywhere.

3. SET AN EXAMPLE.

Act as a role model and read in front of your child. Watching you reading magazines, newspapers, and books shows your child that reading is important. Encourage your child to join you with his or her own book while you are reading.

4. MAKE CONNECTIONS BETWEEN READING AND REAL LIFE.

Help your child apply what he or she is reading to everyday life. Making connections between books and your child's own experience can help increase his or her interest in reading.

5. KEEP READING MATERIALS IN THE HOUSE.

Give your child easy access to books and other reading materials at home. Newspapers, magazines, menus and catalogues all have text that will interest children. This helps him or her understand that reading doesn't only happen at school—it can happen anywhere.

6. VISIT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY.

Making reading fun can be easy with a library card. Take advantage of the selection at your local public library by letting your child pick out a book that catches his or her attention.

7. TALK ABOUT WHAT YOUR CHILD IS READING.

After your child has finished a book, talk about what happened and ask what his or her favourite part was. This will enhance your child's comprehension skills, and make reading a family activity. If you're not sure what sort of questions to ask, see your child's teacher for some ideas!

8. EXPOSE YOUR CHILD TO DIFFERENT BOOK GENRES.

Find a book that interests your child. Explore different genres like mystery, science-fiction, comic books, and more. The more interested your child is in a subject, the more he or she will be excited to read!

9. SUPPORT YOUR CHILD.

If your child has difficulty reading and gets frustrated, take a step back and see where he or she is struggling. Talk with his or her teacher and address the issue as soon as possible.

10. READ EACH NIGHT.

Make reading part of your child's night-time routine. This habit helps your child learn to associate reading with relaxation.

READING SHOULD BE FUN, NOT FRUSTRATING!

Use these tips to get your child interested in reading so he or she can become an even better learner. With a little focus and direction, you can help give your child the reading boost he or she needs. Watch the video for further information

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