

How to Support Your Child's Reading at Home

Make sure they have access to nursery rhymes, poems and songs (in English and native language) – there are some lovely playlists on YouTube too that have actions to them.

It's fine that they want to return to the same, safe texts. If you can, re-enact some of the stories with puppets or cut-outs to help develop language.

Sign up to the local library. You can get out x20 books with their book card. Are not charged for lateness or loss of books.

Plenty of reading aloud experiences with the child in charge of choosing the books at times.

Recognises and joins in with predictable phrases and can retell familiar stories.

Begins to understand the difference between fiction and non-fiction

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Helping your child get better at reading is important to all of us. Whenever you read with your child, asking them one or two of these questions will improve their comprehension. Writing down what they say would help us too! *E.g. Jenny said that her favourite part of the story was when Max hid up in the tree because it was exciting.*

Can recite some simple poems by heart – these can be nursery rhymes and songs too.

Explore and enjoy new words and explain their meanings.

Point to objects in picturebooks to ensure that children understand what these mean.

When reading a new book, you might want to draw attention to the title, the author and illustrator and explain who these are and predict what the book might be about.

Your child can tell you what books they prefer and might tell you aspects that they either like or dislike.

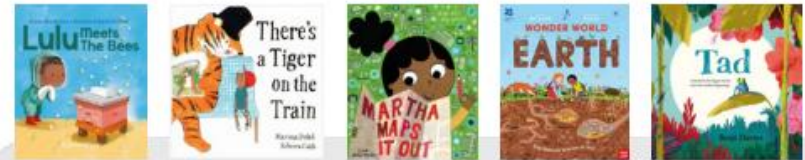
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2025-2026 Booklist



50 Recommended Reads for...

Reception (ages 4-5)



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