

Reading Rocks!

READING TIPS OF THE WEEK

5 More Ways to Improve Reading Skills

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1. Be knowledgeable about your children's progress.

Find out what reading skills they are expected to have at each grade level

2. Look for reading problems.

Find out if your children can sound out words, know sight words, use context to identify unknown words, and clearly understand what they read.

3. Get help promptly for reading problems.

Reading problems do not magically disappear with time. The earlier children receive help, the more likely they will become good readers. Make sure your children receive necessary help from teachers, tutors, or learning centers as soon as you discover a problem.

4. Use a variety of aids to help your children.

To help your children improve their reading, use textbooks, computer programs, books-on-tape, and other materials available in stores. Games are especially good choices because they let children have fun as they work on their skills.

5. Show enthusiasm for your children's reading.

Your reaction has a great influence on how hard they will try to become good readers. Be sure to give them genuine praise for their efforts.

Most importantly **HAVE FUN!** Reading time with your child should also be an enjoyable time for everyone!