

Enjoy sharing and talking about books at home. When sharing books:

- Talk about the title and the front cover and discuss what you think the book might be about
- Look through the pictures together
- Read the book to your child (this isn't cheating!!) and point to the words as you read them
- Re-read the story with your child – you might want to have a break between reads
- When you have finished reading you can ask them questions like



*What was your favourite part?
Why do you think X happened?
Which is your favourite character?
Why?
Can you tell me what happened?*

Things to check and show your child:

- Check your child knows where to start reading
- Can they show you which way to go? (front to back, left to right)
- Can they find and trap (in their window – made by the first 2 fingers on each hand) one letter, one word etc.
- Recognise some letters
- Can they trap repeated words on each page e.g. Mum
- Be ready to show them all of these things if they are unsure – it all helps!

