Supporting Reading at home

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- You can still read to your child even when they are becoming a more confident reader. They will really enjoy this time together and it will help them so much with their own reading.
- Choose a book to read to them that is slightly above their own reading level – this will help them with their own reading by introducing them to new words, phrases and ideas.
- Discuss the ideas in the book they are reading or you are reading to them and ask them questions like:



I wonder why this character did/said/that?
Can you retell the story so far?
Which is your favourite character?
What might happen next?
What makes you think that?

Things to check your child can do when they are reading to themselves or to you:

- Reading on or back when they get stuck to help them fix it
- Looking closely at new/longer words and help them to break it up and put it back together
- Asking questions about the characters/events/what might happen
- Spotting punctuation
- Using their story voice – you can model this to them as you read to them too! You are looking for expression and smooth reading – changing their voice when a character speaks.

