



Are you looking for ways to spark a love of reading at home?

Read our tips on how to make shared reading enjoyable to help your child grow into a confident, enthusiastic reader.

We have shared some simple, enjoyable ideas to help your child discover the joy of books at every stage of their primary journey. Explore our age-group tips to find practical ways to make reading a natural, fun part of everyday life.



Click on the links below to find out more about how to support your child with reading.

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Reading at home – Tips for everyone!

Reading in Daily Life: Reading can happen all through everyday life, not just at story time. Children learn from signs in the street, labels on food, menus in cafés or words on a cereal box. Noticing and talking about these words helps them to understand that reading is useful, everywhere, and a natural part of daily life. Reading doesn't have to be limited to books.

Be a Reading Role Model: You are your child's first and most important reading role model. When they see you enjoying a book, magazine, or even a recipe, they learn that reading is valuable and fun. By making time to read yourself and sharing that joy with them, you will inspire a love of reading that they will stay with them as they grow.

Visit the local library: Visiting your local library is a great way to explore a wider range of books together at no cost. Children can choose stories that spark their interests and many libraries also offer fun activities like story time or other reading-related activities. It's a relaxed, welcoming space that helps children to see reading as an adventure.