




## Getting ready to read

 **Talk together** – spend time talking to your child about their play and things around them to encourage the development of speaking and listening.

 **Talk about books, words and pictures** – Before you start reading talk about the title, the pictures and look through the book asking your child what they think the story might be about

 **Talk about stories and events** – Ask questions about the story. *What was your favourite part? What do you think about that?*

 **All join in** – Ask your child to join in with the repeated words e.g. run, run as fast as you can...

 **Find your favourites and add to them** – Children love to listen to favourite stories over and over again. Add to this by reading stories of all kinds rhymes, poetry, information books

 **Retell stories** – after sharing a story ask your child to help retell it.

 **Read everywhere you go**  
– read on the move to show your child how you read words everywhere like road signs, logos

 **Listen to and sing songs and rhymes** – singing lots of songs helps your child to hear sounds in words and build up a bank of known favourites. Play with words and sounds and make up new ones.

 **Remember when...** – compare events in stories or information books with things you have done to help your child make connections between these and their own experiences



## STOP, LOOK and SHARE A BOOK

There are lots of different things to read:

- Information books
- Magazines
- Poetry
- Rhymes
- Story books
- signs

**Don't forget to stop at the nursery library and borrow a book.**

