

# Reading Tips -



## Reading At Home With Your Child.

Before you read the book – look at the front cover and the back/blurb, the author, illustrator etc. What do you think the book will be about?

What is happening in the pictures?

Discuss the meanings of words.

Make predictions. What do you think will happen next? What makes you think that?

Discuss feelings. How do you think the characters are feeling? What has made them feel this way?

Where is the story set?

Discuss the problem in the story. What happened? What went wrong?

Discuss the resolution.

What did you like about the book/dislike about the book and why?

Is this book fact or fiction? Is it a storybook or a non-fiction book?

What have you learnt?

Did it end the way you expected?

### AND...

Encourage your child to use expression when reading, model reading with expression. Re-read sentences together to improve fluency and expression. Discuss punctuation on the page e.g. exclamation marks. What are these for? How should you read the text when you see exclamation marks? How should you read when you see speech marks? Adult support and model.

### REMEMBER...

You do not need to read the entire book in a night. You can read a few pages at a time. You can take it in turns to read so your child can hear you read.

*Read during a relaxed, quiet time. Encourage a love of books. Enjoy!*

