

Talking with Kids While Reading with Them



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Agenda

- Why Reading Is Important
- Benefits of Reading Aloud
- Techniques for Reading Aloud
- Demonstration of Reading Aloud
- Your turn to Read Aloud to your partner
- Q & A

Why Reading Is Important

- Language acquisition
- Knowledge acquisition
- Life-long learning

Benefits of Reading Aloud in Any Language

- Introduces children to books, poems, etc.
- Provides a model for pronunciation
- Develops vocabulary
- Teaches knowledge of the world and of books
- Builds bonds between the reader and listeners
- Offers a model of the joy of reading
- Encourages a love for reading silently/aloud

Read Aloud Checklist

- Choose good stories
- Practice first
- Give title and author
- Read with feeling & variety
- Perhaps, summarize slow parts and paraphrase new words
- Stop at interesting places
- Invite participation
- Ask questions, make connections, make comments
- Make gestures, body movements, sounds

Demonstration

- Please see if I do what is in the checklist

Key Point

- *Reading aloud is a journey, not a race*
- Thus, the longer it takes to finish the story, the better
- The book can be a tool to launch a conversation, in any language, mostly about life

Your Turn

- Find a partner. I'm going to show another story on the screen
- You will read aloud this book to each other
- Take turns to be the adult and the child
- Remember: Reading aloud is a journey, not a race. Dialog about life, please.

Prediction - *Procedure*

1. Read aloud the title and the portion of the text up to the point of prediction. Ask a question about what will happen next.
2. Children make predictions and provide reasons for their predictions.

Prediction Clues

- Title
- Author
- Illustrations
- Knowledge of the world
- Similar stories
- Knowledge of the genre
- Previous parts of the book

Procedure, continued

3. Read the text until the next prediction point.
4. Discuss whether children's prediction were confirmed or disconfirmed.

Key Point

- ✦ However, the quality of a prediction is measured by the reasoning behind the prediction, not by what actually does happen next in the story. After all, stories are just inventions of writers.

Benefits of Prediction

1. Arouses the interest of children
2. Allows children to follow the story better
3. Encourages careful listening
4. Allows children to interact with the story
5. Promotes logical thinking
6. Promotes creativity

Ideas for Motivating Children to Read More

1. Share/discuss books you have read.
2. Keep records of children's reading and display them in an interesting manner.
3. Display books in a prominent part of your house and in children's rooms.
4. Don't force reading if kids aren't in the mood.
5. Let children listen to e-books.

More Motivational Ideas

6. Children swap books with friends.
7. Children read aloud their favorite stories to you or read along with you.
8. Recreate a scene of the book through role play or puppet play or drawing.
9. Design a comic strip/book mark

Q & A

- Questions
- Disagreements
- Experiences
- Ideas

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Your Partner**