# 10 tj0233118op tips for reading at home

* Encourage daily reading in a comfortable and relaxing space
* Read to your child, as well as with them. Older children enjoy listening to stories too
* Keep your child motivated and build confidence through positive praise and encouragement
* If it’s a new book, look through it together first. After reading, talk about the book, the characters, or a favourite part of the story
* Re-read a book with younger children to help them improve their fluency and expression
* After reading a short book, or a chapter for older readers, ask one or two questions to check they are understanding the text
* If your child is reluctant to read, take it in turns to read alternate pages
* Reading should always be enjoyable. If the book is too difficult, change it or take over the reading, and talk about the story at the end.
* Check your child understands the meaning of new or unusual vocabulary, especially in information texts
* For early readers, play games with key words.

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