

BRINGING ACTIVE OF LEARNING HOME



Workshops for Preschool **Parents**





READING BOOKS WITH CHILDREN



OBJECTIVES

You will

- Identify reasons to read and reread books with children
- Identify ways to make reading books an enjoyable and interactive experience







STORY TIME

- Which story did you enjoy more?
- Why did you enjoy it more?





READING WITH CHILDREN

- Reading stories with children should be enjoyable and interactive.
- When adults take the time to talk about the pictures in the book, listen to children's ideas about the story, and make connections between the story and real life, children develop a deeper understanding of the story.





BENEFITS OF READING WITH CHILDREN

Reading with children

- Builds children's comprehension (understanding of language).
- Helps children acquire new vocabulary.
- Shows children how print is used to communicate ideas.
- Models for children how to hold a book and turn the pages one at a time.
- Encourages children to practice reading on their own

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ENCOURAGING STORY TALK

- Talk about the things you see in the illustrations.
- Make connections between the story and your child's life. ("You've been to the zoo.")
- Talk about the characters' feelings. ("Why do you think Bear is mad?")
- Ask children who or what they might see on the next page.
- Ask children what they think might happen next.



TALKING ABOUT THE STORY

- Choose a book to look at with a partner.
- Talk about what story talk strategies you could use if you were reading this book with your child.





BOOKMARK REMINDER

- Decorate a bookmark to take home with you.
- Write one of the strategies from "Encouraging Story Talk" on it.
- Keep the bookmark handy to remind you to talk about the story as you read with your child.

