

Early Reading Series: (5) “The Confident Reader!”

The Basics

- Recognise 30-50 common words by sight
- Read harder sentences, with less support, and recognise more words in sentences
- Read various spellings of long vowels (e.g. tried, night)
- Talk about characters and plot
- Begin to seek out books and read silently



Top Tips!

You are now modelling fluent reading - so continue to use emotion and expression in your voice

Begin to ask interactive questions such as; “what do you think she should have done there instead? What would have happened if she had?”

Create an area for independent reading and have books easily accessible to your child. Their own, eye-level book shelf is great!

Ask about how a character might feel and what they might think at different times in the story.

Point out items or experiences in everyday life that connect stories you have enjoyed together

Encourage activities like...

... writing stories with your help. Help with beginnings, middles and ends.

...retelling TV programs or films you have watched together in more detail

... jumbling up letters in a word and rebuilding them into order.

... searching for words that look like they rhyme but don't, and words that do rhyme, but look like they shouldn't.