



READING READINESS **PARENT RESOURCE GUIDE**

SEPTEMBER

Read to your child **EVERY** day. Pick a time when you will not be disturbed to read to your child. Turn off the television, turn your phone off, and make sure other family members know not to interrupt your reading time.

Look at the cover and ask questions.

1. What do you think this story is about?
2. Why do you think so?
3. Where do you think the story takes place (in a house, at school, at the beach, etc.)
4. Why do you think that?

Allow your child to ask questions as you read. Do not give the answers. Answer "I don't know, what do you think. Maybe if we read some more we will find out." Go back to the question and see if it was answered in the story. If not, ask "where can we find the answer (an expert, another book, the internet)? Find the answer together and read it to your child.

Here are other questions to ask. Start with one or two. Do not ask to many. If your child loses interest, STOP, tomorrow is another day!

1. What happened?
2. What do you think will happen next?
3. How else could it have ended?
4. What was the best part-Why?
5. What is the story setting like? i.e. is the house big, old, falling a part, etc.
6. Do you like the main character? Why or why not?
7. How does the story make you feel?
8. What was the funniest part?
9. What was the saddest part?
10. What was the most exciting?