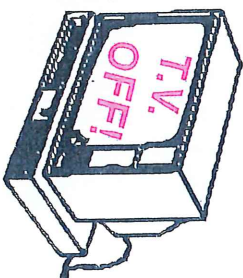


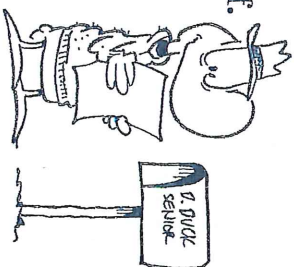
## Make a Regular Time for Reading Every Day

Enjoy the **MATERIAL** with your child:-

Turn off the T.V.

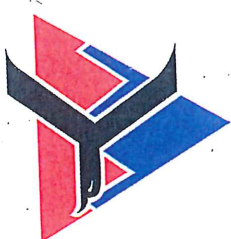


- Let your child know that you enjoy the time together.
- Make listening to reading a special time.
- Your child will sense when listening to reading becomes boring for you.
- Be seen as a reader yourself.
- Encourage your child to make use of the local and school libraries.



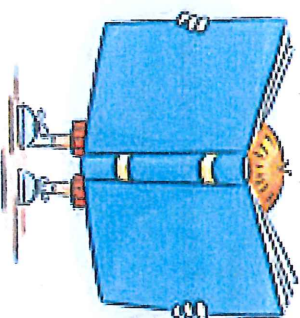
An interesting website to visit for further information is

[www.thisreadingmama.com](http://www.thisreadingmama.com)



# How to Help Your Child Become a Successful Reader

Parent / Carer Information  
for Prep Students



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**To be able to read, your child needs:**

- 1-1 correspondence with words – point with your finger
- To recognise at least the first 12 high frequency/sight words
- Have control of at least 20 sounds which include the short vowel sounds and consonants.

• *Concepts of Print*

**Helpful prompts to decode unknown words:**

- Give your child time to have a go
- Get your mouth ready for the first sound, look at the picture, and think of a word that makes sense
- Read the sentence again and see if you can work it out.

**Helping your child understand the meaning of the story:**

- Look at the title, author and the illustrator
- Ask the child what he/she thinks the story will be about (prediction)
- Before reading the text, make up the story from the pictures (prediction)



**After reading the text, ask:**

- Who is the main character in this story?
- When did this story take place?
- Where did this story happen?
- Was there a problem in this story.
- How was the problem fixed?
- Can you retell what happened in the story?