



Reading at Home 'Top Tips'

- Read daily for 15 minutes- either reading to or with your child or listening to them read. Before bed is ideal but find a routine to suit you. Even though your child now has increasing independence, there are lots of advantages to reading aloud and to someone.
- Create opportunities for your child to ask questions and think more deeply around the text.
- Widen the variety of books that your child is reading to include non-fiction texts: magazines, brochures, adverts and signs.
- When talking about real-life texts, explore how the writing will look different depending on the text type.
 - Enjoy some audiobooks- a professional reader can often bring out meaning in more complex books.
- Try graphic novels and picture books for older readers which is a great way to connect images to words for reading development.
- Use the internet and the text itself to develop research skills- talk about how we find information in a text.