

# Making Books Come Alive

Parent Strategies: Make books come alive by asking questions and expanding on your child's ideas!

## WHAT



### Ask a Variety of Questions

## WHY

Your child has a limited understanding of the world and needs support to make sense of what he or she hears and sees. You are the most important person to do that because children look to people they trust for answers to their questions.

## HOW

While reading together STOP and ASK QUESTIONS such as, "Who is this story about" or "What do you think will happen next?". Guide your child to the correct answer by looking at details provided in pictures and looking for clues in sentences.



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### Expand on Your Child's Ideas

## WHY

Expanding on what your child is interested in while reading can help your child learn more! At the same time, it lets them know their ideas are important. You'll also notice that you won't have to spend as much time and effort to keep their attention on the book.

## HOW

STOP when your child points to pictures and words in books. LOOK for signals your child gives to show his or her interests. LISTEN for opportunities to comment or add to your child's responses or act out the parts of the book.

