



Book Sharing + the 3Ts

Reading with a young child can be frustrating. But *sharing* a book can be much more fun, and just as good for your young child's brain!

How do you Book Share?

Open a book and have a conversation!



Use the 3Ts to Book Share



Tune In to what catches your child's attention, and follow their lead. Let them hold the book, flip the pages, and even move on when they lose interest.



Talk More about whatever your child is focused on - this might be the words in the story, the pictures on the page, or how the book feels in their mouth.



Take Turns to engage your child in a rich, brain-building conversation.

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There's so much more to talk about than the words on the page!

- Describe the pictures
- Talk about what happened earlier in the story, or predict what might happen next.
- Discuss the characters' thoughts and feelings.

"The characters went to the grocery store and now they're cooking dinner. I bet they're going to eat dinner soon."

"Look at the cute little baby polar bear. She's so much smaller than the big mama bear."

"Oh no she fell off her bike and scraped her knee. I think she's hurting. Ouch."



Don't worry if your child loses interest quickly. This is normal for someone their age. Just put the book down and try again later.



What's most important now is developing a love of books.