

How to Help Your Child Read At Home

Read at home with your child daily with books they enjoy - even in the summer:

- Read out loud to your child.
- Listen to your child read.
- Echo read (you read a line, then they repeat), or read together at the same time.
- Reread or retell favorite stories.
- Talk to your child about the reading.

As you read:

- Ask your child to share what they remember.
- Ask questions about the reading.
- Talk about your favorite parts, what you've learned, who is in the book, what they do.
- Talk about the pictures in the book and how they connect to the words on the page.
- Help connect the stories to your child's life or other books you've read.

Other ways to support your child's literacy:

- Have frequent conversations with your child - it helps your child build vocabulary.
- Encourage writing - Let children write the sounds they hear to develop spelling.
- Work with your child's teacher to support the Individual Reading Improvement Plan.

On the **Individual Reading Improvement Plan (IRIP)** you received from your child's teacher, you will see specific skills identified as needing improvement. Activities and resources to support each specific skill are available at fraser.k12.mi.us/literacy

- **Phonemic awareness** is the ability to hear and distinguish different sounds
- **Phonics** is the ability to understand the relationship between letters and the sounds they represent
- **Fluency** is the ability to read with sufficient speed and expression to support understanding
- **Vocabulary** is the knowledge and memory of word meanings
- **Comprehension** is the ability to understand and draw meaning from text

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