

Tips for Reading to Your Child

- Have a scheduled reading time each day.
- Give your child your undivided attention.
- Discuss the meaning of the vocabulary words in the story.
- Have your child retell the story by looking at the pictures.
- Ask questions that develop 21st Century thinking such as:
 - What do you think will happen next?
 - Why did _____ do that?
 - What would happen if _____?
 - Can you think of a different ending?
 - What are the reasons for _____?
 - What are some other ways that _____?
- Tell me the story.



Why Should I Read to My Child?

- Studies show that children who are read to by their parents have educational and social advantages over their peers.
- Reading to your child accelerates vocabulary development. Did you know that a child's vocabulary development has the highest correlation with school success?
- Reading to your child helps him or her acquire beginning literacy skills. This includes an understanding that words are made up of smaller sounds. (phonemic awareness)
- Reading to your child improves his or her thinking skills. This is especially true if the books include stories that teach children how to conquer challenges and overcome fears.
- Reading to your child helps your child learn the basic sight words necessary for success in beginning reading.

21st Century Primers The Ready to Read Series

Develop the sight words your child needs for success in beginning reading.

Enjoy the Stories with Your Child!

Help your child to learn to read with our Younglight Ready for Reading Series. These beginning readers teach your child the sight words necessary for success in beginning and future reading.

