

Foster Literacy: Be a Reading Pal

Learning to read is essentially a social process. Sharing a book is more important than giving information to a very young child.



Shared reading improves alphabet recognition, letter sound production, and language skills when English is a second language.

Sensitive, responsive relationships with parents and caregivers are a vital component of a child's experience with reading.

High quality shared reading occurs when children feel emotionally secure and are allowed to be active participants during reading activities.

Shared reading promotes vocabulary development and conceptual knowledge of the written word.