

Reading promotes a
lifelong love of reading.



Reading
is fun!

Reading with your Child

Tips and resources for Students and Families

Reading helps
your child
develop
imagination
and creativity.

**Read at least
20 minutes
a day!**

Reading builds
vocabulary, fluency
and comprehension
skills.



Kindergarten

1. Picture Walk: Have your child tell you about the cover and pictures as they look at each page. This will help your child predict the story and use the pictures to identify unknown words.
2. Your child should ALWAYS point to the words as they read them to help them match what they say with the printed word. Point to words as you read to your child as well.
3. Practice books in sections. For example, on the first day do a picture walk and work on the first page. Focus on a few pages each day until you finish the book. Then reread the entire book all the way through.
4. What to say if your child does not know a word:
 - Does the picture help you?
 - What word might make sense in this sentence? Have your child reread the sentence if unsure.
 - Look at the beginning letter of the word. Can you think of a word with that beginning sound that would make sense here?
 - Look at the ending letter. Can you think of a word that begins and ends with these sounds?
 - Can you use the sounds of each letter and put them together?
 - Tell your child the word if they still do not know it.
 - Once they say the unknown word have your child reread the page.
5. If you are reading to your child pick a common word like "and" or "the" for your child to read each time it appears in the book.

1st Grade



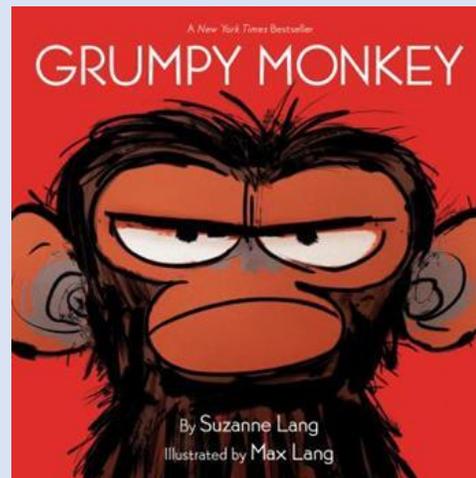
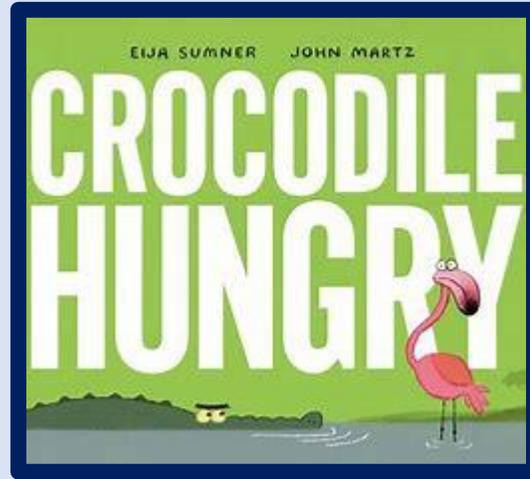
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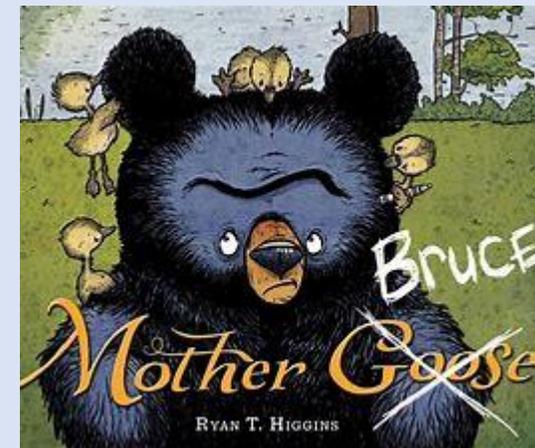
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- Bring a book along anytime your child must wait somewhere.
- Encourage your child to reread favorite books to help them read more quickly and accurately.
- Ask your child questions about the story you just read.



2nd Grade

- Ask questions about the story. What do they think might happen next?
- Ask questions about the characters and their motives.
- Take turns reading aloud to each other.
- Create a book together. Let your child write the words and create the illustrations.
- Explain new words and concepts while you are reading together.

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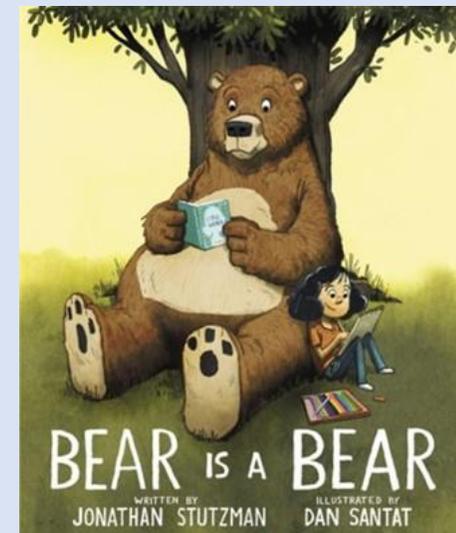
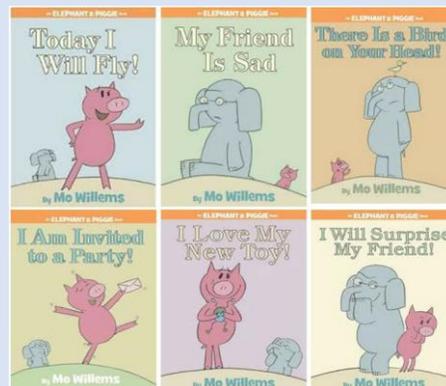
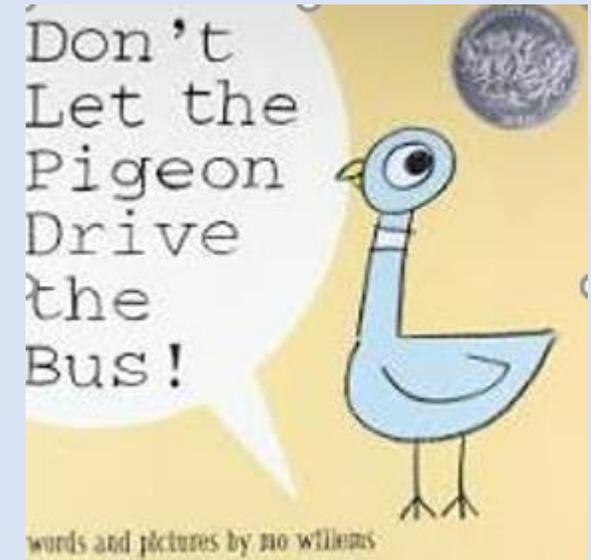
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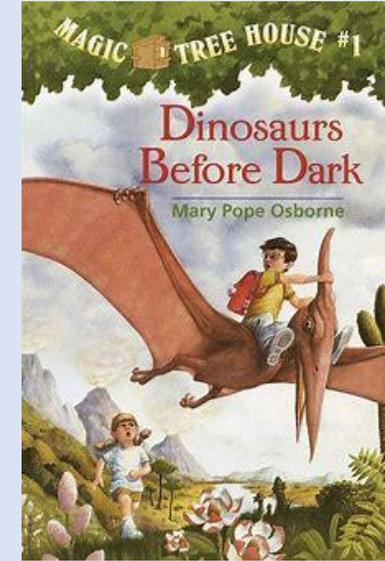
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3rd Grade

- Go to the local library and get your child a library card.
- Introduce your child to a book series like Humphrey or The Magic Tree House.
- Have your child read different types of books to expose them to various types of fiction and non-fiction.



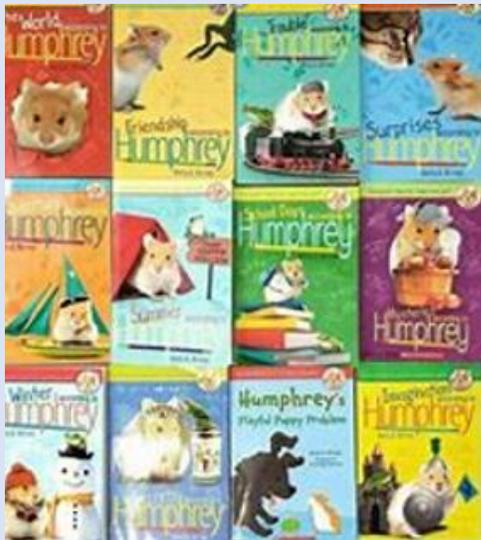
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4th Grade

Your child is no longer “learning to read”, but “reading to learn”

Read slowly to make sure you fully understand what you are reading. It is always helpful to go back and reread. You may pick up on themes and meanings that you missed the first time.



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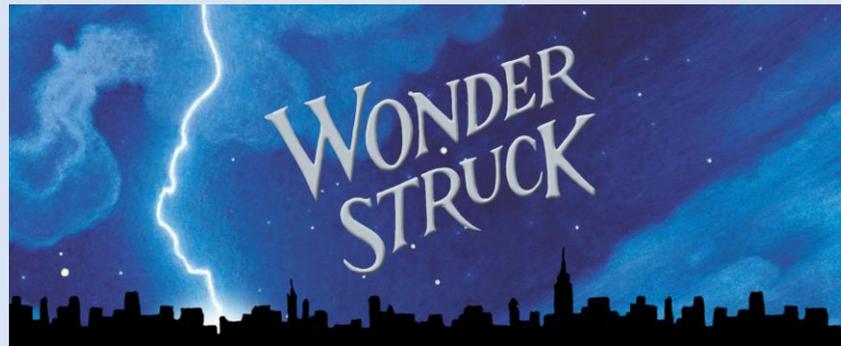
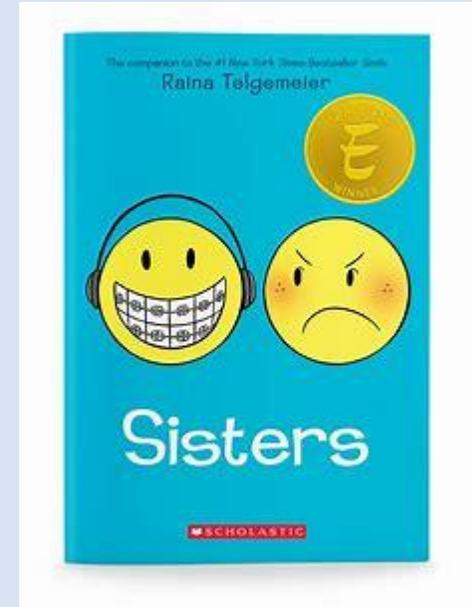
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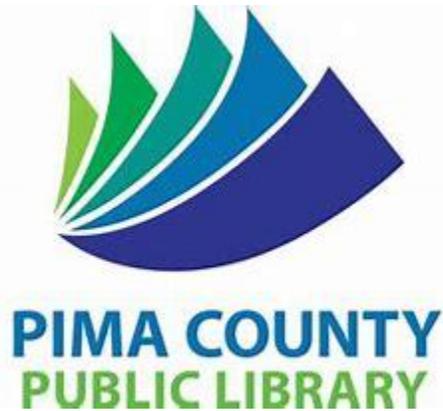
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- Play word games as a family like scrabble and hangman or encourage them to play word games online.
- Make a word list from books they are reading and have them write the definition of the words.
- Encourage your child to read for pleasure.

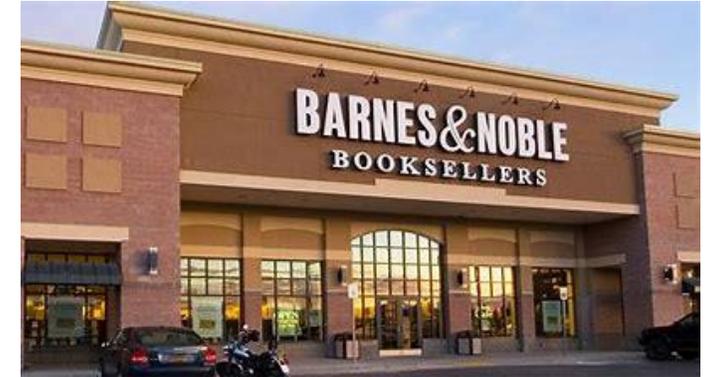


Summer Reading



Check out summer reading programs
through the public library and
Barnes and Noble!

Click on each picture for more info.



If you have made it this far you have reached the **SECRET CODE**.
Fill out and return the form sent home on May 9th and be sure to add the
secret code to get a prize! Forms are due by May 16th!

The secret code is: **GILA MONSTER**