

# Positive Parenting

## READ, READ, READ

Read aloud to your child, it's never too early or late to start.

WHY	WHEN	WHERE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For enjoyment</li><li>• Modelling the technique</li><li>• To encourage them to become readers</li><li>• Develop their imaginations</li><li>• Demonstrate the value of reading</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Begin at birth</li><li>• Continue as the child develops</li><li>• Set aside a regular time</li><li>• Make it a daily routine</li><li>• Before naps and bedtime to help him/her relax</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A quiet, comfortable place</li><li>• Away from the TV, radio and other distractions</li><li>• While waiting for an appointment, a meal, the laundry</li><li>• At the library</li></ul>

### What Parents Can Do

- Read all kinds of materials; books, magazines, poems.
- Choose reading material together; include their special interests.
- Go to the library on a regular basis.
- Give books and magazine subscriptions as gifts.
- Have fun while reading; talk about pictures, use different voices.
- Praise your child's attempts at reading.
- Be gentle when correcting your child's reading errors.
- Take turns reading to each other.
- Choose another book if your child is not interested.
- Read a favourite book over and over again.
- Let your child see you reading for enjoyment.