

Living Room

- Have reading material around the room - on a coffee table, on a shelf, in a cabinet.
- Try to put books for your children at their eye level and easier accessible.
- Flip through coffee table books and discuss the photos, reading the captions or having your child make up captions for the pictures.
- Turn on closed captioning on the TV...and turn the volume down.
- As you're watching a sports game on the TV, turn the sound way down and try your own play-by-play.
- Play board games or card games, taking turns reading the directions or playing games that focus on literacy skills.
- Use a computer or tablet to find answers your child's inquisitive questions.
- Have your child read a book to remote family via video chat.

Kitchen

- Have your child read or follow along with a recipe.
- Help make the grocery list.
- When putting items away from the store, have your child read the labels and boxes as they put them away.
- Help find and clip coupons.
- Read the calendar of the week's activities, lunch menus, etc.
- Post the schedule of a favorite sports team on the fridge.



Meal Time

- Talk about your day. Either have a set of predictable questions or discussion starters to get the conversation going.
- Tell jokes! Have one night a week that is joke night so everyone comes prepared to share.
- Create stories by each person taking turns to add to the story.
- Ask reading comprehension questions about current books they are reading. For example: what was the book about, who were the characters, what was the issue, how was it solved or resolved, would you recommend it to someone else and why, etc.

Bedroom

- Read the bedtime story by flashlight.
- Have your child read to their favorite stuffed animals or put on plays or dance recitals for them.



Bathroom

- Read to them while they are in the bath.
- Have them make up stories with the toys in the tub.
- As you and your child are looking the mirror, copy each other's expressions or sounds.
- Place a daily note on the mirror for your child to see each morning as they are getting ready like "you're going to have a great day".

