

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

Level 2, 101-200

TALK

Children learn language and other early literacy skills by listening to adults talk. As children listen to spoken language, they learn new words and what they mean while gaining important general knowledge about the world around them. This knowledge will help children understand the meaning of what they read.

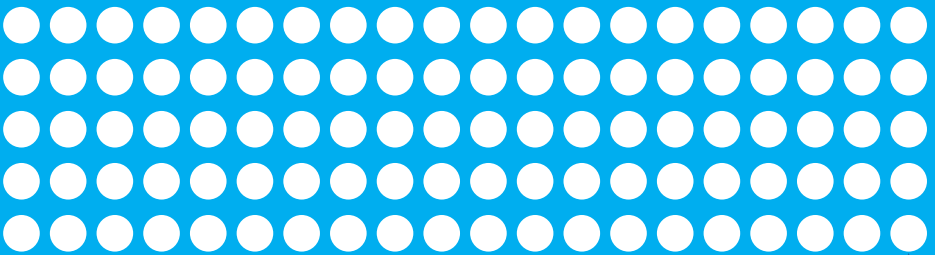


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Books That Support Talking:

- Wordless picture books
- Books that encourage questions
- Books with repeated phrases

Please fill in a bubble for every book read.



You have just read 200 books! Return this sheet to the library for your sticker and to begin the next level.

Fun Activities to Try at Home

Talk about food. As you prepare a meal, invite your child to help. Talk about what you are doing, how you are doing it or the food you are preparing (name, color, texture, taste or where it comes from).

Tell me more. Expand on the things your child says. For example, if your child points out a flower, respond with: "Yes, that is a flower. That kind of flower is called a rose. Roses can be red, yellow, white or pink."

Share nursery rhymes together. Say them fast and say them slow. Children will begin to play with and hear smaller sounds in words, which builds their phonological awareness.

Go on a nature walk at your local park. Talk with your child about the names of the animals and plants you see. Check out your library for books about native plants and animals in your area.

Share personal stories. Talk with your child about what it was like when you were little. Do you have any funny stories to tell? Ask them open-ended questions about what you shared.

On the Go Tip: Point out signs, labels and logos as you and your child go about your day. Talk about what different signs represent to help make your child aware of words and symbols all around them.

My 5 Favorite Books:

