








# Tips to Encourage Reading

-  Have books at home.
-  Take your child to the public library.
-  Read books, newspapers, and magazines with your child.
-  Make reading a natural part of the day's activities. If you child never observes you reading, you send a message about the importance of reading regardless of what you say.
-  If your child likes a particular author, read several books by that author. Then find similar ones by another author, always building and expanding the selections.
-  Look for books that broaden the child's horizons. These can be the basis for discussion about different cultures, socioeconomic conditions, and beliefs.
-  Sit next to your child so you can share the illustrations in a picture book. Take time to enjoy the illustrations because they enrich the story.