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Reading with your child

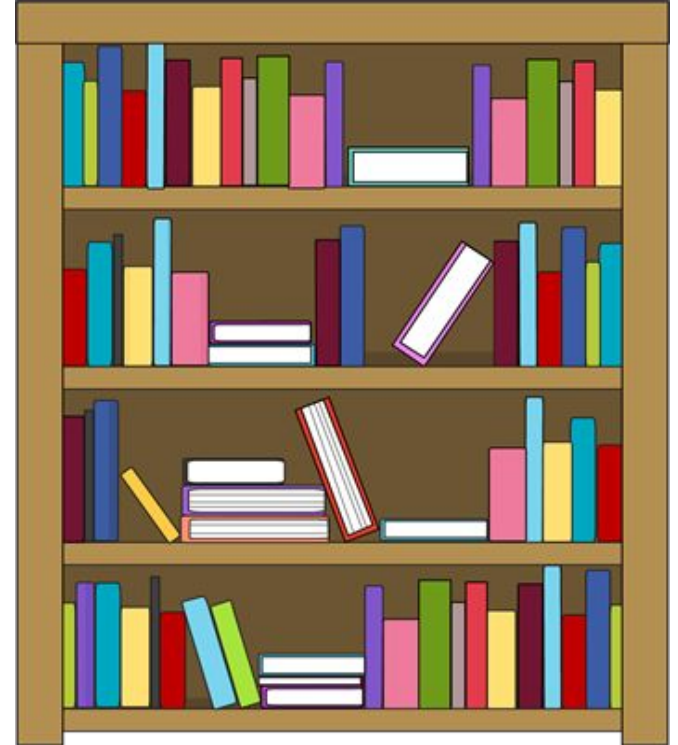
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Have books at home

- ❑ Picture books
- ❑ Story books
- ❑ Information books
- ❑ English
- ❑ Mother tongue

Parents can borrow up to **ten books** at a time from our school library.



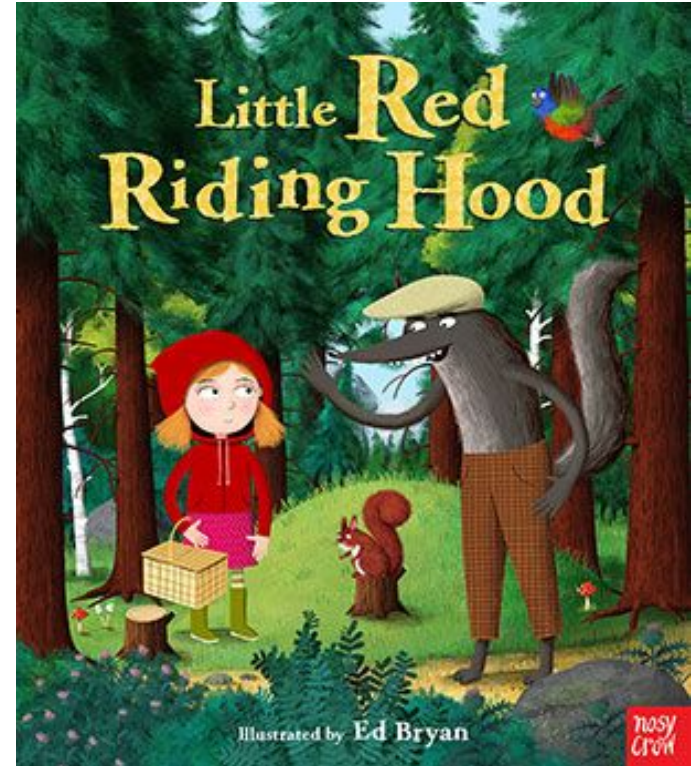
Read together every day

- ❑ 5-10 minutes.
- ❑ Turn off phones, computers and TVs.
- ❑ Your child can read to you.
- ❑ You can read to your child (English or mother tongue).
- ❑ Even when your child can read by themselves - read together!



Look at the cover

- Picture
- Title
- Author
- Read the blurb (on the back)
- What do you think it will be about?



Look at the pictures

- ❑ What is happening?
- ❑ Do the pictures add to the story?



Read the words

- ❑ Use the pictures and words to work out what is happening.



Getting Stuck at a Word

- What sounds are in the word?
- What parts of the word do you know?
- What word would make sense?
- Tell them the word.
- Reread the sentence.



Talk about what you have read



- What happened?
- What was your favourite part of the story?
- How do you think... (*a character*) might be feeling?
- What does this story make you think of?
- What lesson can we learn from this story?
- Ask your child to ask **you** a question about the story.

Praise your child for their reading



- ❑ “You thought really hard about what the pictures show.”
- ❑ “You have been learning lots of your sight words.”
- ❑ “I can tell you have been practising your letters and sounds.”

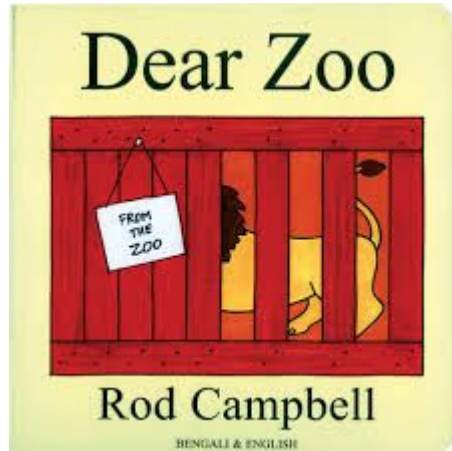
Reading at home



Sounding out

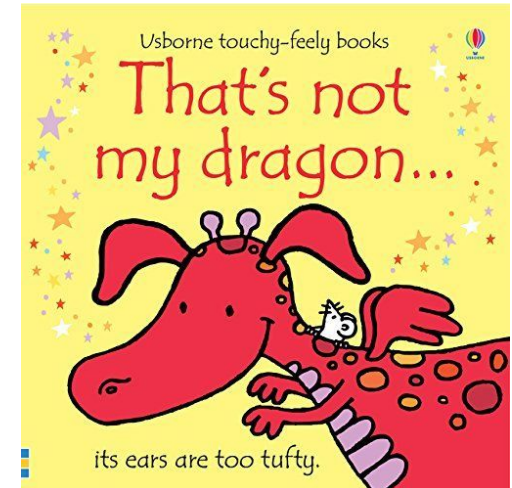
What books should I pick for **babies and toddlers**?

Lift-the-flap books



Books with high contrast and patterns

Books with textures for children to feel



What books should I pick for **young children**?

Picture storybooks

Participation books

Predictable/pattern books

Wordless books

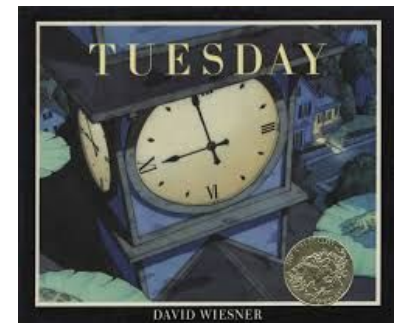
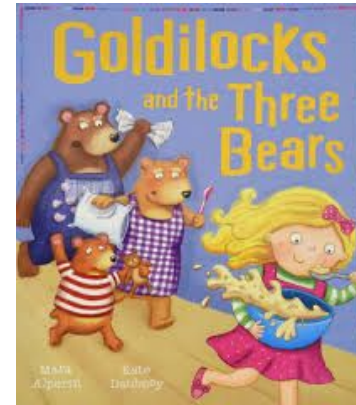
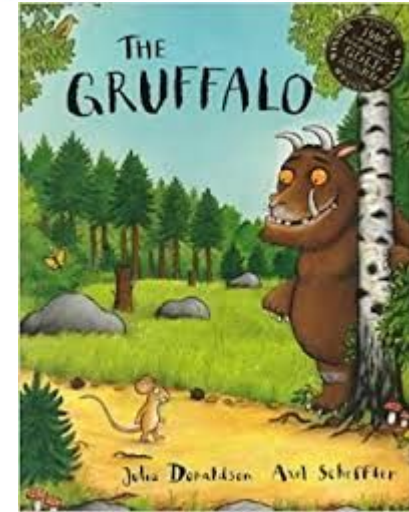
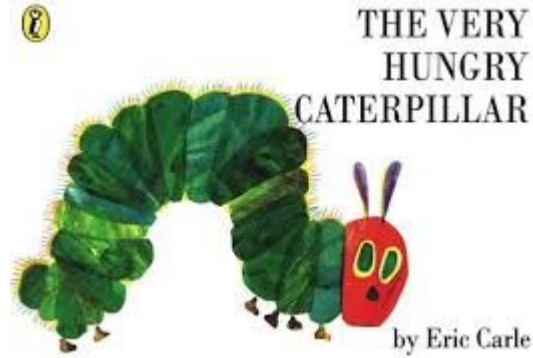
Folktales, Fables and Fairy Tales

Nursery rhymes

Alphabet books

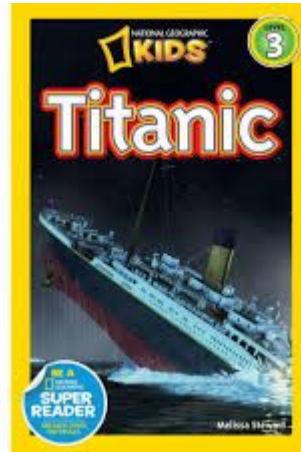
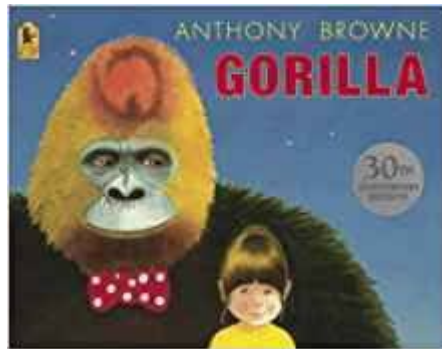
Counting books

Rhyming books



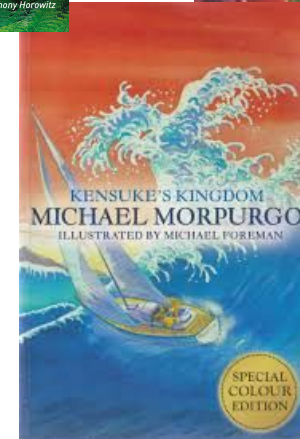
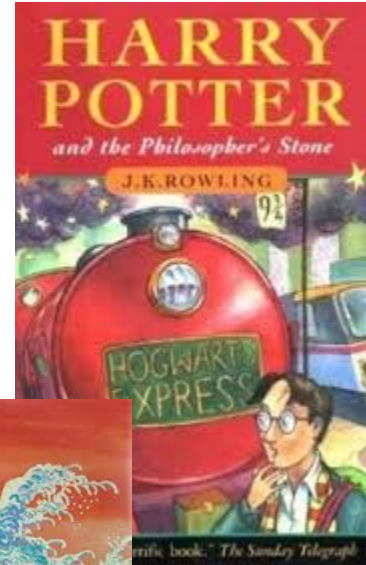
What books should I pick for **novice readers**?

- Shorter chapter books to read together
- Series of books with familiar characters
- Information books about familiar topics
- Books that follow your child's interests
- Picture books



What books should I pick for **fluent readers**?

- Age-appropriate chapter books
- Books that your child is interested in
- Encourage choosing a variety of books - being **balanced** in their reading diet
- Graphic novels



In our library

Library TAs can help you choose or find books

Books in other languages (you can donate or suggest books)

Fiction and non-fiction (search at the desk)

Audiobooks

Parenting books





Browse the library.

Choose some books to take home to read with your child.

Enjoy reading!

