

Ways a Parent Can Help with

READING

1 **Let your child see you reading!**

Have magazines and books in your home

2 Help your child find appropriate word & reading games on the computer.

Keep a dictionary on hand. Help your child look up new words they read or hear

3 Read mysteries with your child and try to figure out the clues together.

4 *Movie Version coming out?*

Read the book first, then talk about which you each liked better.

5 *Set aside a time or place for your child to read-*

Like a comfy chair and a reading light in a quiet place

6 **Visit your public library regularly.**

Look for and read together the books that were your favorite when you were a kid.

7 Encourage your child to write-

Letters, thank you notes, emails, journals, lists, stories about their own trips, events, and daily life

8 Ask your child questions about what he or she is reading, such as:

What is the story about? Who are the important characters in the story? Where does the story take place? Why do you think the character made that choice? Why did that happen? How did you know about...? Would you recommend this book to your friends?

9 Ask your child to draw a comic strip about what happens in the story.

Provide word searches, crossword and other word games and puzzles, or make your own

Share with your child about what you're reading...and encourage your child to do the same