

3-4 YEARS

PARENT GUIDE TO READING ALOUD

Try to find time every day to share books.

PARENT

- Ask “What happens next?” in familiar stories
- Point out letters and numbers
- Point out words and pictures that begin with the same sound
- Make up stories about the pictures

CHILD

- Turns pages one at a time and from left to right
- Sits still for longer stories
- Scribbles and draws

NEW SKILLS

- Recites whole phrases from books
- Moves toward letter recognition
- Begins to detect rhyme
- Pretends to read to dolls and stuffed animals

WHAT TO READ

- Let your child choose which book to read
- Find stories about things your child likes
- Picture books that tell longer stories; counting and alphabet books

