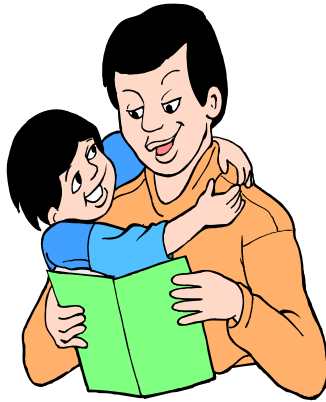


Home Reading



Why?

By reading with their children, parents are demonstrating that reading is valued. At the same time, it is important that parents understand the reading process so that their children do not receive inconsistent demonstrations between home and school.

How?

Students choose their own books from the classroom or other libraries. Selection of appropriate material may have to be discussed with the student. Many students prefer books which have been read aloud.

Parents should be informed how best to help:

They need to know about the cueing systems used when reading.

They need to talk to their children about what is being read.

They should support and offer positive responses.

They need to give time for children to work out meaning for themselves or to self-correct. "Try that again," is a useful comment.

If the children are unable to continue, parents should ask a question that directs attention to the meaning, before giving words or direction