## Getready to LEARN!

Reading aloud builds language and vocabulary—starting even before a child can talk!



Talk about the pictures. Ask questions: What do you think will happen next?

Be prepared to read the same book over and over—and over.





Scribbling is how children develop the skills and coordination they need to write letters and words.

Offer your child plenty of paper and chunky crayons.

When children play, they practice language and problem-solving skills.

Tell stories and talk about what you're playing.

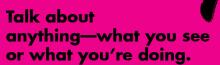








Signing helps children build the vocabulary they need to become strong readers.



Use the language you know best.

Singing prepares children for reading by helping them to hear the individual sounds in words, and to notice rhyme and rhythm.



Make up songs for bath time, meal time, bed time or anytime!



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