

It can be difficult to find the time to fit in reading with your child but a little and often will help to build up your child's skills.

Learning to read is important but books don't need to feel like hard work.

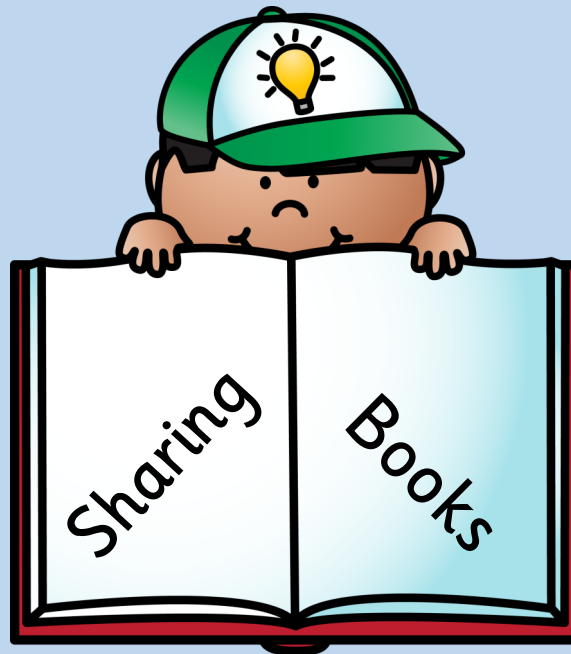
You can help your child by exploring the pictures and text, and talking about this.

Reading together helps to build your child's imagination, vocabulary, comprehension and confidence.

It will help your child to understand how books work (the correct way to hold a book, turning pages, the direction we read (left to right in Scotland) and that the print carries meaning.

#### Make books fun by:

- Choosing books together
- Picking books that spark interest in your child.
- Make up actions.
- Guess what happens next.
- Join in with repeated phrases
- Guess/ Make up rhyming words
- Make up noises to match the picture.
- Make some crafts related to the story.



#### Make use of the library:

- They have a wide selection of books to suit all interests
- They are experts - they can help you to find books or authors your child would enjoy.
- It is a free resource, Glasgow Libraries don't charge late fees for children's books