

Primary 1-3

Reading with your child – Hints and Tips:



- Look for words that appear more than once.
- Count the letters or syllables in words.
- Read the book in a funny voice; robot, princess, mouse, bear etc.
- Read from back to front.
- Count the words.
- Find the capital letters and full stops.
- Talk about the characters or story setting.
- Real life experience; has what happens in the story ever happened to them?
- Talk about favourite part of the story or a favourite illustration.

If your child is struggling with a word, these word-attack strategies may be useful at home.....

Word - Attack Strategies

- ❖ Look at the first letter.
- ❖ Say the sounds of the first few letters.
- ❖ Read the sentence again to see if you can think of a word that might fit.
- ❖ Look at the picture in the book, does it help with the unknown word?
- ❖ Look at the last letters.

If your child is still stuck after trying 1 or 2 of these strategies, tell them the word and move on. You can always revisit the word / book at another time.