

Activity 7 – Reading and sharing books

Read a favourite story to a sibling, pet or toy

What to do

- Pick the book together. Can your child remember what happens in the story? Look at the pages and talk about what happens.
- Set up a calm and cosy place to share the book.
- Ask your child to tell the story, either by reading the words or using the pictures to prompt their own retelling. They might do a mixture of both and that is fine.
- You could do this together, taking turns to read pages or parts. Your child will enjoy reading repeating words and phrases.

What you need

A favourite picture book which your child knows well



Extension

Do this as a Skype or other video call for a distant friend or relative.
Build up a repertoire of books that your child is confident to 'read' to someone else.
Make a video

Questions to ask

Which is your favourite book?
What happens in the story? Shall we look at the pictures?
Where will be a cosy place to share it?
Who would enjoy hearing this story?