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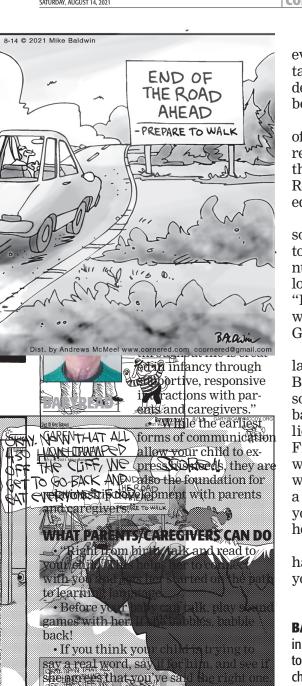
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• Read, read, read to your child. Read every day to your child. Reading and talking are the keys to helping your child develop the pre-literacy skills he needs to be successful in school.

• Education is a wonderful path out of poverty. Getting a good education requires that parents talk and read with their babies and toddlers regularly. Reading every day is the goal. A good education is the road to a good job.

• "Help your child to hear and say sounds of language by reading books together, singing songs and learning nursery rhymes." Babies and toddlers love "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star" and "Five Little Monkeys." Do finger plays with rhymes like "The Itsy Bitsy Spider." Go to the internet for lots of ideas.

b help build your child's vocabulary, describe objects with lots of details. But use short sentences! "Look at how soft your diaper is." "See the yellow, long banana." "Doesn't that red apple look delicious to chew." "I am making lasagna. First I am boiling some water, and then I will add the noodles." Or, "I will microwave the noodles and ..." Even if you are a quiet person, it is important to talk to your child about what is happening to her and the world around her.

• "If you are concerned that your child has difficulties with speech, talk with your child's health care provider."

Quotes taken from a parent website.

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Johanna, David, Maria, Kathleen and Alex: A BabyRead family

David is an active 2-year-old who loves his books. Johanna signed him up for BabyRead before he was born! She knew the importance of reading, but felt she might not be as disciplined about reading to her newborn as she should be. When he was born, Johanna and Alex already had two daughters, 7-year-old Marie and 5-year-old Kathleen, so she was a busy mom.

Being a member of the BabyRead family for the past three years has benefited the entire family far beyond Johanna's expectations. Not only does

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David love books (at Christmas when he was only 22 months old, he was more excited about his new books than the toys!), but the girls have become much more

interested in reading. During the pandemic lockdown, they were so excited to receive BabyRead's gifts of books and magazines. At 6, Kathleen is being tutored twice a week in reading by another BabyRead volunteer. It is unusual for BabyRead to tutor a school-age child in reading, but Kathleen attended kindergarten online because of the pandemic. It was a struggle for her and her mom to learn online, and Kathleen grew to dislike school. Serendipitously, at the beginning of this past summer. BabyRead had a volunteer with an education background looking to tutor a child. It was a no-brainer to put them together. Johanna and Kathleen were delighted.

As is often the case in BabyRead, Johanna and Kim, the BabyRead family reader, have become friends. Johanna had recently moved to Walhalla to join her husband, Alex. When she signed up, she also thought that joining BabyRead would give her an opportunity to spend time with another woman. which it did, to her delight. This connection has been especially helpful during the months when activities were so limited due to the pandemic. This past spring, Johanna and her three children met with Kim at South Cove County Park for a wonderful time of reading outside and then going on the swings.

Before school started, Marie would read to her siblings at random times during the day. Now that school has begun, reading is more of a bedtime activity for the children. However, while the girls are in school, David often chooses his own books and "reads" them to Johanna, pointing out the pictures and making the animal or other appropriate sounds — "choochoo-oo-oo" is often heard throughout the house.

David will be one of our "oldest" BabyRead family members, graduating only when he enters school!

JANICE GARCIA is a BabyRead volunteer.

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• "The study also found that children who had less stimulating or responsive interactions with caretakers or mothers performed poorly in mathematics late in life. Having high-quality interactions appear to buffer against this effect."

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There is also research that demonstrates that spending time with your baby or toddler reading, talking and playing contributes to healthier social and motional functioning later in life. Research shows that reading, talking and playing with your child results in fewer temper tantrums and better social interaction with peers.

Why talk to a baby who does not yet understand or speak a language? Because your baby is talking to you from the very first moment of birth by kicking and crying. Your child understands a great deal more of what you say to him/ her than your child can speak. "Serve and respond" is the educational jargon for what parents naturally do when they spend time with their baby. Your baby does something - e.g., kick or cry (the serve) — and then you respond by what you say or do. These daily interactions are critical.

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HOW DO BABIES LEARN TO COMMUNICATE?

"Babies are hard-wired to communicate. From day one, they watch their loved ones' faces and mouth movements. They listen to them talk ... and attempt to interact with their parents and caregivers. Each milestone builds on another.

Parents and other family memoers can encourage this development by talking, singing, playing, reading and engaging heir baby in numerous other ways every day. The more language a child is exposed to — and the more undivided attention a parent or caregiver can give to a child as they feed them, bathe them, change their diapers, push them in a stroller or play outside with them — the better the child's communication skills will likely be."

Again, there is no known study that use of a face mask negatively impacts a child's speech and language developt ent. In addition to watching faces, children "watch gestures, hear changes in tone of voice, see eyes convey emotion and listen to words."

"By providing dedicated time to converse with your child without screens or other interruptions — e.g. at bath or dinner time — children should reach their expected milestones."

(Quotes from healthychildren.org, American Academia of Pediatrics, August 2021)

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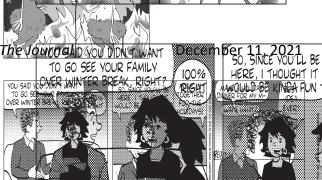
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