



Newborn to 1 Year



- Point at things & name them (cat, dog, house, car)
- Talk back and forth with your baby
- Play games with them while you are reading

1 Year to 2 Years



- Smile and answer your child's questions
- Encourage them to point at objects & name them
- Have them help turn pages

2 Years to 3 Years



- Ask them questions about the book
- Talk about pictures and what the words mean
- Let them pick out the book they want to read

3 Years to 4 Years



- Point out letters and numbers
- Look at pictures & make up stories about them
- Talk about the different characters
- Ask them their take on the story

4 Years to 5 Years



- Have your child tell the story
- Encourage writing and drawing
- Ask them about the meaning of the story
- Have a conversation about what the words mean



HERE'S THE IMPACT OF READING 20 MINUTES PER DAY!

A baby/toddler that is read to:

20:00

minutes per day

is exposed to
~1.8 MILLION
words per year

5:00

minutes per day

is exposed to
~228,000
words per year

1:00

minute per day

is exposed to
~8,000
words per year

Reading aloud with children is known to be the single most important activity for building the knowledge and skills they will eventually require for learning to read.

*Reading aloud builds **vocabulary** and **understanding**, teaches shapes, names and sounds of **letters**. Reading aloud helps ignite your child's **imagination** and their curiosity and increases **memory** and **attention span**.*