# READY\*TO\*READ

## READING TIPS FOR PARENTS

Reading with your child is a wonderful experience. Here are some tips to get the most out of your time together.

### **BEFORE READING**

- ★ Look at the title. Ask: "What do you think the story will be about?"
- ★ Take a book walk. Look at the illustrations. Check their predictions.
  - ★ Find difficult words. Discuss them.
  - ★ Set a purpose for reading. "We are reading to find out...."

### **DURING READING**

- ★ Read the book. (You can read aloud; you can read a page, your child reads the next, etc.; or, your child may read to you.)
  - ★ Discuss the plot and characters.
  - ★ Figure out difficult words by looking at the pictures, sounds, or words surrounding the difficult word.
    - ★ Re-read the story.

#### **AFTER READING**

- ★ Discuss the book. Talk about the characters, any problems and solutions, the main idea, etc.
- ★ Retell the story and check predictions (Was your child correct in what they thought the story would be about?).
  - ★ Respond to the story by talking about your child's favorite parts.



