



*Most importantly, enjoy sharing a book and reading it together.*

## *Reading with your child*



*Teignmouth Community School*

### *Step 1: before you read.*

- *Look at the book together.*
- *Talk about why the book was chosen and what it might be about.*
- *Predict what might happen.*
- *If not a new book, discuss what has happened so far.*

### *Step 2: reading the book.*

- *Your child might want to point as they read, that's ok.*
- *Your child may use the pictures to help, that's ok too.*
- *Try not to jump in too quickly when your child makes a mistake. Let them read to the end of the sentence to see if the mistake is spotted and fixed.*
- *You can ask if it makes sense and get your child to read it again.*
- *Take it in turns to read.*  
*Use different voices for the characters.*

### *Step 3: understanding the book.*

*Through discussion and questions about what is happening, you can help your child's understanding.*

- *What does... mean?*
- *Which word told you that?*
- *Why does the author use...?*
- *Choose a word to describe a character and explain why.*
- *Where do you think the story is set and what made you think that?*
- *How did the character feel before... and after...?*
- *Can you think of another story similar to this one?*
- *Can you think of a different title for the book?*