3-4 YEARS
PARENT GUIDE TO READING ALOUD
Try to find time every day to share books.

PARENT
• Ask “What happens next?” in familiar stories
• Point out letters and numbers
• Point out words and pictures that begin with the same sound
• Make up stories about the pictures

CHILD
• Turns pages one at a time and from left to right
• Sits still for longer stories
• Scribbles and draws

NEW SKILLS
• Recites whole phrases from books
• Moves toward letter recognition
• Begins to detect rhyme
• Pretends to read to dolls and stuffed animals

WHAT TO READ
• Let your child choose which book to read
• Find stories about things your child likes
• Picture books that tell longer stories; counting and alphabet books

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