

## Shared Reading

Reading and telling stories to your child will help him to learn new words and language. Shared storytelling also creates great thinking time for children, as they reflect on what is happening in the story, and helps to build concentration.



1. Choose a book together.



2. Decide on a quiet time and place to read. Look at the pictures and talk about what the story might be about.



3. Read the book to your child. Let him make comments or ask questions as you read.



4. Talk about the book. Ask open questions like 'Why do you think he felt happy?' or 'Can you think of a different ending for the story?'

### Remember...

*If you don't have any books, you can still have a special story-time with your child. Try telling a traditional tale or a made-up story. Children also love 'real life' stories about things that have happened to people they know. These stories often lead to lots of questions and conversation.*