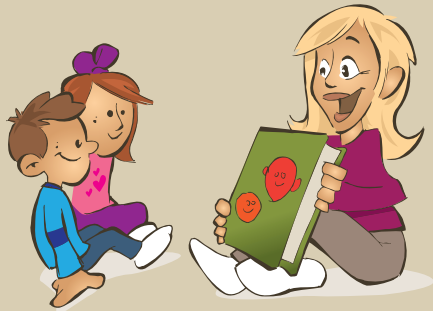
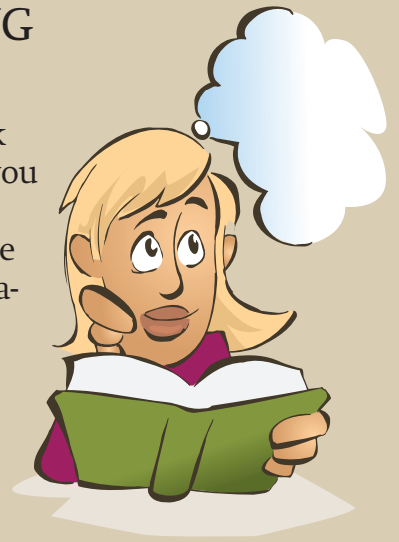


# Dialogic reading

## BEFORE READING

- Read the book and roughly decide what you want to talk about and which questions you will ask about the story.
- Make reading the book a nice experience and a special occasion.



- Introduce the book to your child: Talk about the front page and the back page and tell your child who has written and illustrated the book.
- Ask open questions about the book's appearance.
- You could let your child hold a small object which has a special meaning in the story.

## DURING READING

- Listen to your child, and be open to questions during reading. When your child asks a question, stop reading and answer him/her.
- Let your child's curiosity set the agenda. Be attentive, ask what catches your child's interest and wait for his or her answer. Listen to the answer, and include it in the dialogue in so far as possible.



- Involve your child as a co-narrator.
- When reading the book again, encourage your child to tell you what he or she remembers, e.g. from the pictures. Help your child to verbalise the story, if he or she cannot remember the correct words or phrases. Explain unfamiliar words, and feel free to add new knowledge to your child's existing knowledge.



## AFTER READING



- Talk with your child about the content, also after you have closed the book. Use the new words from the book – the more often your child hears the words, the more likely he or she will be to remember them and use them.

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