# **Parent Tool Kit**

# Try This at Home

Read a book aloud to your child.





Have your child read a book to you.

Try choral reading (read aloud together).

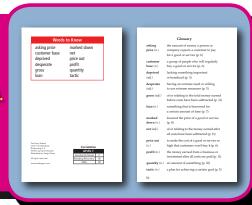




Buddy read (take turns reading aloud).

# Practice with the Glossary or Words to Know!

- Find the words in the text and discuss how they are used.
- Review the meaning of each word.
- Draw pictures to represent each word.
- Create sentences for each word.
- Practice spelling each word.



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## **Tips for Talking About Texts**

Engage with your child by asking these questions before, during, and after reading a variety of texts.

#### **Before**

- What do you think this book will be about? Why do you think that?
- What does the title tell you about this book?
- What do you already know about the topic of this book?
- What questions do you have?
- Do you think this story is real or imaginary?
- Who is the author of this book? Have you read any other books by this author?

### **During**

- What do you think will happen next?
- Why do you think . . . ?
- Where and when does this story take place?
- How do you think the character will handle this situation?
- Why is the character . . . ?
- What does this word mean? How do you know?

## After

- How would you retell this story, including parts from beginning, middle, and end?
- What questions would you ask the author?
- What do you think are the most important events in the story?
- How did this character change throughout the story?
- How would you have solved the problem?
- What evidence can you find?

## Do You Know?

Research shows that students who use our resources score higher on reading tests and are more interested in reading than students who don't!\*

