

Engaging the whole body in book reading

Books are so important for helping children learn and understand any language. Here are ways to help your child read books using their whole body

Touch and play

Add toys or objects that match with the story to help your child focus and understand the words.

Children can play while you tell the story it will teach them language in real life.



See and understand

Point to words and pictures as you read. This helps the child to know we say the words we read.

Point to words in different languages and let the child look at how words look at sound different.

Hear and understand

Read books and tell stories in different languages.

Sing the words of the story and make voices so the child is interested in the characters

Read the same story for a week. Children take time to understand and learn.

Talk about new words and explain by showing them what it means using pictures and actions.

Repeat new words in everyday activities.

Speak and say

Read the same story for a week. Children take time to understand and learn. After you have read a story few times, stop and wait at certain parts for your child to join.

Connect and love the story

Choose books that match your child's interests e.g. animals, songs, cars.

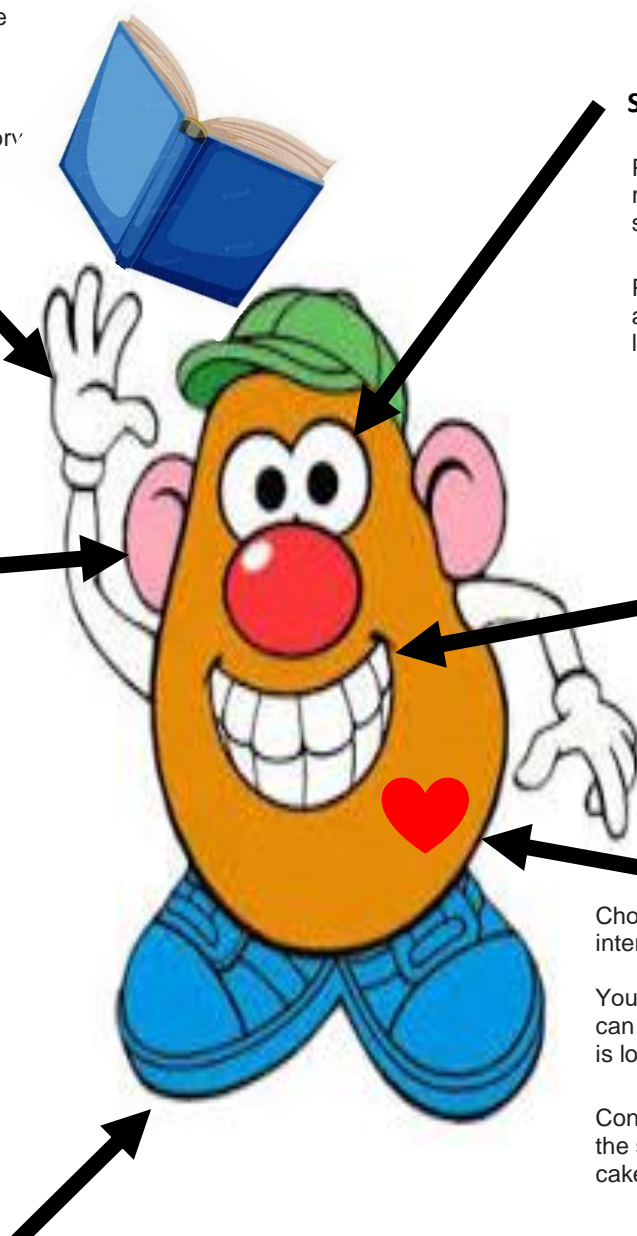
You don't have to read the story, but you can use words to talk about what your child is looking and pointing at.

Connect the story to real life, for example -If the story is about making a cake make a cake after the story.

Act and move

Let the child be comfortable as they read. They can stand or move while you read.

Act out stories as you read. If the story has action words you can stop and act out the words in the story together to help the child experience and understand the story.



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