



Print Motivation

Interest in and enjoyment of books and reading. Children who perceive reading as a pleasurable activity and books as interesting will be motivated to learn to read.

This includes:

- Playing with books
- Pretending to write
- Enjoying being read to
- Enjoying visiting the library

Ways to encourage this skill:

- Read in front of your child! Modeling an enjoyment of reading will encourage them to enjoy reading as well.
- Let your child choose their own books! Children who have a choice in what books are read to them are more likely to want to learn to read and to keep trying, even when it's hard.
- Read books with repetitive or predictable text. Let your child help you read based on this repetition and the illustrations.
- Read wordless picture books with your child and have them tell you a story based on the illustrations.