

## Catch Up<sup>®</sup> at home

Pupils doing Catch Up<sup>®</sup> will take part in one-to-one reading or maths sessions in school.

The aim is that every pupil doing Catch Up<sup>®</sup> will:

- make good progress
- grow in confidence
- become more motivated to do well in school
- enjoy success

### How can you help?

If your child is doing Catch Up<sup>®</sup> Literacy at school, you can help them by reading with them at home.

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# Enjoying reading with your child

## Why do some children not enjoy reading?

When children find reading difficult they may not enjoy reading.

They may feel cross that they can't read or they may feel that you will be cross if they get things wrong!



## How can you help?

- **Read to your child**  
Reading to your child won't make them lazy. It will give them the chance to enjoy books with you and remind them that reading can be fun.
- **Before reading a book, spend some time looking through it and talking about the pictures**  
This helps your child to think about the meaning of what you are going to read.
- **Choose a time to read together that suits you both**  
Having a regular time for sharing books can avoid the arguments about turning off the games console!
- **Decide with your child how long you are going to spend reading**  
Five minutes might be quite enough for both of you!
- **Talk to your child about what you are reading**  
You could say:
  - Did you know that before? I didn't.
  - Guess what will happen next.
  - Would you do that?
- **You do not always have to read school books with your child. You could read:**
  - Something from the newspaper
  - A joke book
  - A football magazine





1. Read to your child

2. Spend time talking about the pictures



3. Choose a regular time that suits you both



4. Decide how long to read for

5. Talk about what you are reading



6. Read whatever your child enjoys



## REMEMBER!

If you enjoy reading with your child, your child is more likely to enjoy reading. Sharing books with your child reminds them that reading can be fun.