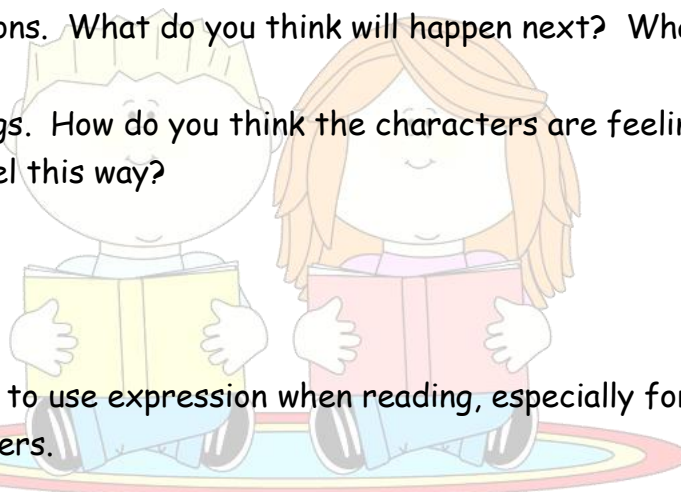


Reading!

As we all know, reading is much more than just reading. Here are some tips to help during reading sessions with your children.

1. What is happening? Talk about what is happening in the pictures before you even read the text.
2. Discuss the meaning of words. Sometimes, we assume that our children understand the meaning but questioning them can help to articulate their thoughts.
3. Discuss alternative words. For example, 'big'. What other words can you think of that mean the same? E.g. 'huge'.
4. Make predictions. What do you think will happen next? What makes you think that?
5. Discuss feelings. How do you think the characters are feeling? What has made them feel this way?



During Reading

Encourage your child to use expression when reading, especially for the voices of different characters.

You do not always have to read the entire book every night. Focus on 2 pages and focus on the characters, setting and plot in detail!

You might want to read the story to your child to demonstrate how it should be read.

Have fun reading school books and sharing other stories with your children!