

Story Time: Joining In

As experience with books grows, children often start to join in with phrases they remember. You can stop before the end of the line and allow them to take over.

Look at the front cover together and discuss what you might find inside.

At the bottom of the page, encourage your child to predict what will happen next.

When reading the story together, they might be reminded of things that have happened to them or to friends and family. They might also relate it to other books they have read or things they have seen on TV. Encourage them to tell you all about this, even if it means that you have to stop telling the story for a little while.

At the end of the book, have a chat about it. What happened in the story? Was it a sad or funny or exciting book? Did they spot any interesting words? Which bit did they most enjoy? Encourage them to tell you why they liked it so much.

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