



Learning, growing, caring, sharing

Tips and tools for parents/carers



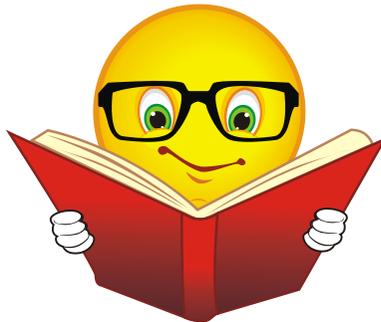
Ideas for reading activities

Fiction

1. Create a new front cover for the book.
2. Draw a map/plan of the place where the story is set.
3. Make a picture gallery of the main characters in the book.
4. Write a blog/diary for one of the characters in the book for one day.
5. Make a quiz on one of the chapters for a friend, or family member.
6. Choose a character and make a list of pros/cons of why you would like them as a friend, relative, parent/carer.
7. Choose your favourite/least favourite character; what do you like/dislike about them? Discuss with a family member or friend.
8. Write a book review to help someone in your family decide whether or not they might like to read the book.
9. Be a book detective - choose an aspect of language or punctuation, and select a chapter to see how many e.g. 'WOW' words, good descriptions, exclamation marks, full stops, nouns, similes you can find, then challenge a friend or family member to see if they can spot them too.
10. Find new words that you didn't know; look up their meanings; make a glossary of interesting words from a particular book.
11. Create a grid and as you read note down anything that you think is funny/sad/interesting/unusual/hard to understand
12. Make a comic strip of part of the story.
13. Get some friends together and act out part of the story.
14. Make up clues for others to guess characters.

Non - fiction

1. Write 5 quiz questions on the text.
2. Make a fact-file on what you've learned.
3. Create some PowerPoint slides to give a short talk on what you've learned.
4. Make a new headline for information you've read in a newspaper or magazine.
5. Write a set of instructions for how to e.g. make something you've read about, recognise a particular type of plant, animal etc.
6. Draw and label a diagram to show what you've learned.
7. Put events from a newspaper story into a sequence.



Poetry

1. Perform a poem to an audience - it could be your friend or family member.
2. Try to write another verse for a poem.
3. Create a poem in a similar style to one you've read.
4. Make an illustration for a poem.
5. Find rhyming words in a poem; try to find as many other words that rhyme as possible.
6. Act out a poem.

Digital media

1. Make a note of information from the website you've looked at and create a fact sheet for others to read.
2. Write instructions for a friend or family member to access the website and create 3 questions for them to answer from the website.
3. Copy information and images from the website to create your own poster.

Whatever you do, we hope you all enjoy it!

