

Top Ten Tips for Sharing Books with your Child



- 1 *Time together - Take time everyday to share books and have fun.*
- 2 *No app can replace a lap!*
- 3 *Anytime, anywhere! Choose the best time to enjoy sharing a book together*
- 4 *What a lovely way to finish the day. Sharing books and chatting is a relaxing way to get ready for bedtime and sleep.*
- 5 *There is no right way to share a book; look at the pictures, use silly voices, read the same page over and over.*
- 6 *'Again, again please!' Children love to share the same story again and again; this helps them to make the connection between words and pictures.*
- 7 *What's there to share? Stories; information books; comics; magazines, catalogues, feely books; sound books; books without words; photo albums; words in the environment; books about favourite television and film characters.*
- 8 *Let your child take the lead and you follow their interests. 'Which book will you choose today?'*
- 9 *Focus attention, remove distractions. Switch off televisions, tablets and telephones.*
- 10 *Where possible, use comfy and quiet spaces. Allow children to choose where to share a book – in a den, on a beanbag or even in the garden.*

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www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people

Better Health – Start for Life
www.nhs.uk/start-for-life

National Literacy Trust
<https://literacytrust.org.uk/early-years>
Resources and tools for early language development and parental engagement

BookTrust - Inspire a love of reading
www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/tips-and-advice/reading-tips

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