

Encourage your child to read by making it fun



Some children seem to have their noses constantly in a book. But others haven't yet discovered the joy of reading. Here are some ways to motivate your child and foster

a love of reading:

- **Create a special reading nook.** This can be in your child's bedroom, on a pillow in the living room or anywhere that's cozy with good lighting.
- **Consider your child's interests.** From scary stories to adventures, there are books that appeal to every child's taste. Ask the librarian or your child's teacher for recommendations of titles.
- **Track the books your child reads.** Create a sticker chart and add a sticker for each book your child completes. Or, have your child make a paper chain—one link for each book read.



- **Go on a library scavenger hunt.** Make a list of questions and tasks for your child to complete in the library. *How many books can you find about Peru? Ask the librarian to show you how to reserve a book on the computer. Find a recipe you'd like to try.*
- **Give your child reading coupons.** Some might be for an extra 20 minutes of reading with you. Others might be good for a trip to the library.