

*Ways to Help Your Reader at Home...
5 Daily Activities:*

**Read to Self*

Use high interest and readable texts. Have your child read the first page. If he or she can understand and decode all but 5 words then it is at the right level.

** Read to Someone*

Use easy readable text. Keep it simple and fast. Help with words if your child gets stuck. If necessary, read every other page, read it together, or do fill in the blank reading where you read everything except the high frequency words. Practice high frequency words daily.

** Listen to Reading*

Use high interest and high text (comprehension) level. Work on understanding the text rather than reading it. Ideas include baseball cards, highlights, joke books, magazines, and comics... really ANYTHING! Also start a great chapter book together aim for about 2 grade levels above his or her reading level.

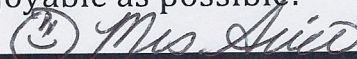
** Writing*

Make writing part of the daily activities. Write lists, notes, journal, draw and write, letters, email... make it useful and don't worry about conventions.

** Word Games*

Play word games nightly. Ideas include: Word Pirates©, Hangman, Taboo Jr©, Banana Grams©, Apple Letters©, Boggle Jr©, Apples to Apples Jr©, Scrabble Jr©, and Chip©. There are also good computer, Internet games and apps: funbriain.com, Reader Rabbit, primarygames.com are a few.

** Remember--- You want to grow a lifelong reader.
Make the practice as enjoyable as possible! **

 Mrs. Suico