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Tack ogetner TIMES BIRTH-2 YEARS

ACTIVITIES

From day one, EVERYDAY CONVERSATIONS WITH YOUR CHILD LEAD TO READING LATER ON.

SMALL TALK EQUALS BIG LEARNING

BREAKING NEWS

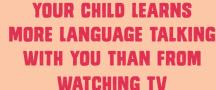


FLASH

YOUR BABY IS READY TO LEARN ANY LANGUAGE FROM BIRTH

Talk to your baby in the language you are most comfortable using. This helps set the stage for future learning in any

BELIEVE IT OR NOT



Before the age of two, children need you, a real, live person to talk with them using full sentences. Even if they can't speak, they are listening and learning.

DON'T WAIT FOR SCHOOL

Start Today for Success Tomorrow

Research shows the more words a child knows, the more likely they are to have success in school and future learning. The more you talk with your child, the more they learn.

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Just as feeding your child healthy foods nourishes the body, speaking with your child feeds the brain. Research shows that back and forth conversations can help children develop larger vocabularies by

DID YOU FEED YOUR CHILD

ENOUGH WORDS TODAY?

CRUNCHY.

AMAZING BUT TRUE

READING TO YOUR CHILD

EVERY DAY HELPS PREPARE THEM

TO READ, WRITE, AND LEARN

You Can Teach Your Child to **Read Without Turning a Page**

Reading street signs, labels, and even cereal boxes introduces the idea that letters and words are everywhere. Reading signs and words together helps prepare your child for reading and school.



FOR MORE ALL THE Way TO K AND BEYOND TIPS VISIT

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NYC Department of Education Pre-K for All schools.nyc.gov/earlychildhood

NYC Administration for Children's Services https://tinyurl.com/ACSECE



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Talk Together TIPS BIRTH-2 **YEARS**

Everyday conversations lead to reading later on!

from day one. your baby is learning language. I COO. YOU COO Copying your baby's "coos" and sounds can help them learn the back and forth of conversation.







Singing with your child in any language is a fun way for them to learn rhythm and new words.



Using fun new words at bath time helps your child learn to describe different types of objects.



SENSE-ATIONS

Talking about how foods feel and taste helps your child learn new words to describe their world.



WEATHER WONDERS Talking about the weather helps your child make connections between words and experiences.

What did you talk about today?

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Your child's name

BONDING WITH BOOKS Reading together, and

pointing out pictures and words, shows your child how

books work. Reading in your native language(s) can

help set the stage for future reading in any language.

WHAT'S THAT NOISE?

Recognizing and describing city sounds can help your child develop listening skills and vocabulary.

W00F!



What you do now matters later.

RHYME ANYTIME

Rhyming together helps your child notice the different sounds within words. This helps lay the foundation for reading.



SWING TIME counting each time the swing goes back and forth can help your child learn number words.

TAKE TURNS TAIKING

Using sentences instead of single words when talking with your child helps them understand how words work together to communicate ideas.





SURPRISE STORYTELLING BOX

Place small objects in a box and talk about them with your child. As your child gets older, have them add objects and make up their own stories. This helps your child learn new words and build their imagination.



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