

# Family Reading Activities

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## Personalize Your Child's Reading Experiences on myON:

- Have your child log in to myON and show you what books they like to read.
- Let your child show you how to change their avatar-ask them why they have selected that particular avatar.
- Search for a book together that both of you are interested in.
- Let your child show you their growth chart-set a new goal and a date you will revisit the chart.
- Before, during, or after reading the book together with your child, explore the Web and find out additional information about the book, its author, or its subject.
- [Capstone Kids](#) and [Fact Hound](#) are great places to start your exploration.
- After finishing a book with your child, write a review to post on myON. Pick a favorite part and explain why you chose it.



## Reading Activities:

Lights, Camera, Action!



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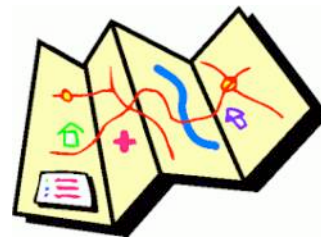
After reading a story, select a scene to act out with your child. Create a live performance or record it to share with friends and family who might live in another state or country. Along with your child, consider for the scene: What are they wearing? Where are they? How are they feeling? Why?

### Be Descriptive

Ask your child to pick five adjectives for the book or character(s), and explain how and why they selected each adjective.

### Movie Review

Read a book with your child then watch the movie; suggestions include Alice in Wonderland, Rapunzel, Aladdin and the Magic Lamp, Cinderella, and Robin Hood. Write a review or discuss what the differences were between the book and the movie.



### Mapmaker

Draw a map of the book's setting. Don't forget to use symbols and include a map key.

### Contact the Author

After reading a book, sit down with your child and write the author a letter. Ask questions about the book or provide your reactions. You can mail the letter to the author care of the publisher.

### Timeline

Create a timeline that includes both the events in the novel and historical information of the time. Post-its are a fun way to record each event and move them around as needed.

### Picture This!

Ask your child to close their eyes and visualize the story as you read aloud to them or they can listen along to the naturally recorded audio in myON. Ask how the pictures in their mind compare to what they see in the book. Describe and compare.



### Favorite Friends

Discuss with your child, which book characters they would want for a friend? Why? What would they do or talk about together?

### Time Travel

Talk with your child about the setting of the book. Is it the past, present, or future? Ask your child what they would do, say, or think if they "traveled" into the book they are reading.

### Making Predictions

As you read a book with your child, pause after a few pages and ask “Based on what we have read so far, what do you think will happen next? Why?”



### Just the Facts

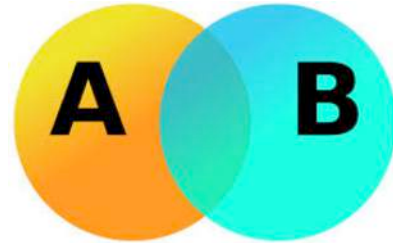
Read a non-fiction book with your child. Talk with them about the 5 W's + H: Who is this about? What is happening? Where is this happening? Why is this happening? When is this happening? How is this happening?

### Sound Off

With your child, turn off the audio on the book you are reading together. Ask them to narrate, discuss, or write about what is happening.

### Compare and Contrast

After reading several books, think about similarities and differences between the books or characters.



### Point of View

How would it change the story if you wrote it from a different point of view (e.g., from the wolf and not the three little pigs)?

### Storytelling

After reading a story, retell the story in order. Ask, “What happened first? Next? Finally?”