

Let's read together!



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Shared reading moments

Reading to a child, telling stories, and reciting rhymes are a lovely way to spend time together. Read to your child regularly.

Start shared reading moments when your child is still a baby. Look at picture books together and name what you see or what is happening in the images. As your child grows, choose books with more text. Continue reading together even when your child reaches school age.

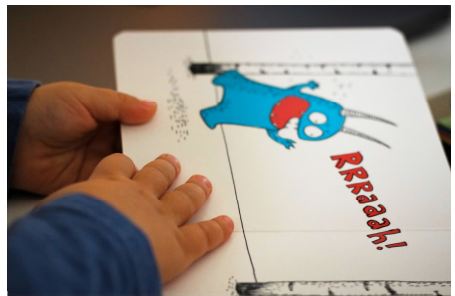
How often do you read to your child?

In which language?

What is his/her favorite book or story?

Do you visit the library with your child?

Does your child have any own books?



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During reading time, sit close together. This strengthens your child's feeling that he/she is important to you.

Reading to a child supports his/her language development in many ways. At the same time, it strengthens social skills, imagination, and empathy.

Multilingualism is richness

Tell your child stories and read books in your home language. Good command of your home language helps with all learning. You can also learn Finnish together by reading Finnish books. Different languages support each other. Learning Finnish is also supported in many ways in early childhood education and later in school.



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*Eye, eye, nose and mouth,
Cheek, cheek and chin.
Hand, hand and belly button,
Foot, foot and lovely toes.
Eye, eye, nose and mouth,
Mom/dad loves you.*

Popular Finnish children's books

- Tatu ja Patu (Aino Havukainen ja Sami Toivonen)
- TAM-TAM menee päiväkotiin (Josefine Sundström)
- Onni –poika saa uuden ystävän (Sanna Pelliccioni)

Choose books that are appropriate for your child's developmental stage and are versatile.

ASK MORE FROM LIBRARY! There you will find books in many different languages.



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