

Tips for Encouraging Readers

- 1 Let your child see you reading for pleasure—be a reading role model!
- 2 Give children the opportunity to choose their own books.
- 3 Embrace new literacies and digital literacies.
- 4 Practice reading aloud everyday.
- 5 Visit the library often and get your child a library card.
- 6 Tie literacy to art—encourage creative writing, singing, drawing and visit a local art museum. Ask children to interpret art and write short sentences about what that piece of art means to them.
- 7 Tell stories together as a family.
- 8 Create a print-rich home environment.
- 9 Point out environmental print to children—show them that words are everywhere like in grocery stores, museums, and stores.
- 10 Help your child build their own personal library with books that interest them.

