



Grade 1 Reading Unit 1 - Launch

Welcome to Grade 1 Reading! In this unit, your child will learn the expectations and routines for reading at school. Your child will practice strategies and learn procedures as he or she develops the habits of a highly effective reader. Please ensure that your child is reading at home, and support them by using some of the suggested strategies and questions.

The skills your child will develop in this unit are:

- Choosing a just right book
- Turning and Talking
- Asking and answering who, what, where, why, when and how questions
- Retelling a shared text
- Expressing an opinion about a shared text
- Reading independently with stamina
- Employing strategies to refocus when distractions occur
- Setting goals as a reader and celebrating growth

Questions to ask as your child is reading at home:

- How do you know your just right book is good for you?
- What are you working on right now as a reader?
- What is your opinion of your just right book? Why?
- What strategies can you use if you get distracted while reading?
- What strategies can you use to understand the text?
- What strategies can you use when you come to a tricky word?
- How have you grown so far as a reader? What is your next goal?

Reading each night with your child is crucial to his or her growth and engagement as a reader. Ask your child about his or her reading routines at school, help them find a quiet and cozy spot to read each night, and begin choosing just right books that you and your child can read each night together. Ask questions, discuss the book, and set goals for reading!