



Kindergarten Reading

Unit 1- Launch

Welcome to Kindergarten reading! In this unit your child will learn expectations and routines for reading at school. The focus of this launch unit is to engage your child in the joy of reading. He or she will begin to carefully choose just right books, work on turn and talk skills, understand the basics of reading, (cover, title, pictures), choose an effective location to read, notice letters and words, and moving from left to right on each page.

In this unit your child will focus on:

- Learning classroom expectations, routines, and procedures of reading time
- Learning appropriate handling of books and how to use the classroom library
- Learning that readers make predictions about books
- Learning good reading habits
- Talking with others about books
- Using pictures to make meaning from a book

These fundamentals will help your child grow as a reader.

The focus of any reading experience should be exposure and engagement! Continue to read-aloud to your child frequently, emphasizing the joy and new learning that can come from sharing books. **Possible conversations you may have with your child when reading might include:**

- What is your book about?
- Which part of your book is your favorite?
- Do you recognize any letters on this page? Do you recognize any words on this page??
- Where do you like to read?
- Who do you like to read with?
- Show me the first word on this page. Show me the last word. How many words are on this page?

Some books your child may enjoy in class are:

- Hello, Kindergarten
- Mrs. Wishy Washy
- The Best Place to Read
- The Little Yellow Chicken's House
- In the Mirror
- A Cat's Day

Keep reading, keep talking and keep having fun!