

Set 1 sounds

What can you do to help at home?

1. Use pure sounds rather than letter names.
2. Teach the picture names.
3. Practise reading sounds speedily.
4. Use the handwriting phrases to practise writing.

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3. Praise your child as they join in with the lesson – make it fun!

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Set 2 and 3 sounds

What can you do to help at home?

1. Practise saying the sounds and the phrase.
2. Practise reading sounds speedily.
3. Help your child to use 'Special Friends', 'Fred Talk' to read words.

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Listening to your child read

Three things to do

1. Ask your child to read the sounds and words before they read the story. They will enjoy teaching you to read these words too.
2. When your child reads the story, encourage them to read the word in Fred Talk if they hesitate

or read it incorrectly. Praise them when they succeed.

3. Read back each sentence or page to keep the plot moving - your child's energy is going into reading the words not the story.

Three things *not* to do

1. Don't read the story to them first.
2. Don't ask your child to guess a word by looking the pictures.
3. And, importantly, please try not to become irritable if your child ever struggles! Keep smiling!

Reading stories to your child

What can you do to help at home?

1. Read the same stories aloud again and again.
2. Read with enthusiasm – love each story.
3. Talk with your child as much as possible.

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