

# Why is reading aloud so important?

## It provides continued development of language.

Vocabulary and phonics are all enhanced through read-alouds at all ages.



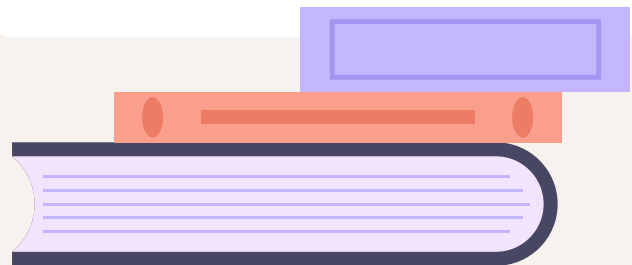
## It expands knowledge.

Help your child discover new worlds of information through read-alouds.



## It develops a child's social and emotional learning (SEL).

- Discuss difficult issues through stories.
- Provide opportunities to practice targeted SEL skills, like increasing empathy.
- Take the opportunity for greater bonding through reading.



## Did you know?

- Over 85% of curriculum is taught by reading.<sup>1</sup>
- By the end of third grade, 74% of struggling readers won't catch up.<sup>1</sup>
- One of the best predictors of high school graduation is reading proficiently by the end of third grade.<sup>1</sup>
- Families can make great strides in literacy by reading aloud and together for just 15 minutes each day.<sup>2</sup>



<sup>1</sup><https://www.readingfoundation.org/third-grade-reading-matters>  
<sup>2</sup><https://help2read.org/2017/02/16/7-reasons-why-reading-aloud-is-one-of-the-best-things-you-can-do-for-your-child>