



## Reading is the gateway to new ideas!

Reading empowers children to stretch their imaginations, explore their world, and discover all of its exciting possibilities. Parents and families have an important role to play in helping children become strong readers. Cut out and use these handy bookmarks to support reading at home. Each bookmark includes a reading tip to support your child's reading outside of the classroom.

### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Check out book lists by age group at [readingrockets.org/books/summer](http://readingrockets.org/books/summer).

Sign up for weekly text messages with reading tips, in English or Spanish, at [startwithabook.org/sms](http://startwithabook.org/sms).

Learn about Read by Grade Three and early literacy in Michigan at <http://bit.ly/MIEarlyLiteracy>.

Read for  
**20 MINUTES**  
Every Day!

Take advantage of every opportunity to read, from books to today's weather report. Reading for 20 minutes each day helps children learn new words and develop necessary reading skills.



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Sing Songs  
**AND SAY**  
Tongue Twisters!

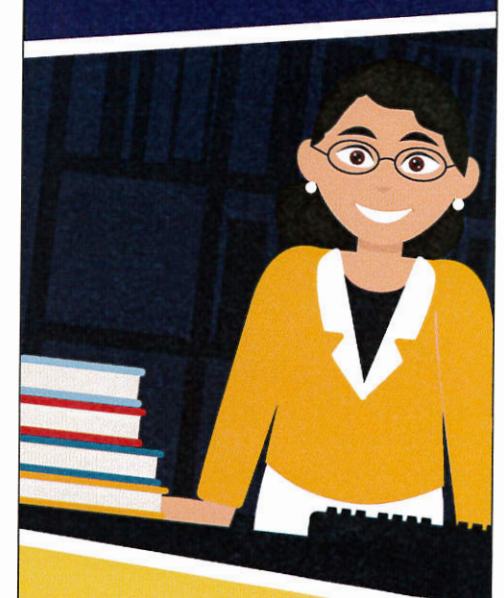
Singing rhyming songs, reading rhyming books, and saying tongue twisters with your child helps them learn new sounds in words.



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Choose the  
**RIGHT BOOKS**

Ask your child's teacher or a librarian for help picking out books that match your child's interests and that are just right—not too hard and not too easy.



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