

Questions to ask your child when reading Early Years

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Before reading the	*Encourage the child to handle the book and hold
book	it the correct way round
	*What can you see on the front cover?
	*What might the story be about?
	*Can you find/point to the title?
	*What might happen in the story?
During reading the	*Encourage the child to talk about the pictures
book	and what is happening in the story *Get them to turn the pages
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	*Ask the child to join in with repetitive words and
	phrases
	*Listen to and identify any words that rhyme
	*What is happening on this page?
	*What might happen next?
	*What might happen next? *What does this word mean?
	*Why do you think they did that?
	*How did the story start/end? What happened in
	the middle of the story?
	*Were there any baddies in this story? What
	about good characters?
	*Do you like?
	*What might happen at the end of the story?
	*Can you turn to the next page?
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After reading the	*Encourage the child to talk about what hap-
book	pened in the book
	*What happened to this character?
	*What did you find out?
	*Did you like this book? Why?
	*What was your favourite part?
	*Who was your favourite character?
	How did this story make you feel?