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Why are parents so
important in helping
their children get
ready to read?



Parents are a child's first teacher.

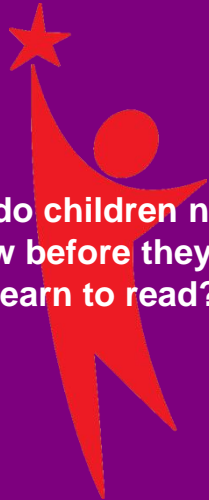
Parents know their child best.

Children learn best by doing,
and they love doing things with you.





What do children need to
know before they can
learn to read?



What is comprehension?

- Knowing what words mean (vocabulary)
- Understanding the meaning of printed language.





Talking helps your child
get ready to read and
learn.



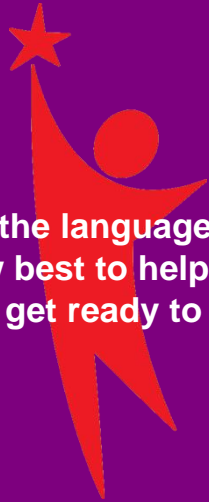
Talking:

Children learn about language by listening to adults talk and joining the conversation.



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Use the language you
know best to help your
child get ready to read.



Use the language you know best.

I can read.

मैं पढ़ सकता हूँ।
मैं पढ़ सकती हूँ।

Sé leer.

Umiem czytać.

我可以阅读。

Я умею читать

Tôi biết đọc.

나는 읽을 수 있다.

私は読めます

Wax waan aqrin karaa.

હું વાંચી શકું છું.

Nakakabasa ako.

أنا أستطيع القراءة.

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Talking helps your child
get ready to read.



A picture walk is a wonderful way
to talk about a book.



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Talking helps your child
get ready to read.



We're going on a picture walk.

Let's meet the little red hen.

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Playing helps your child
get ready to read.



Now, you try a picture walk!



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Shared reading is the best way to help your child get ready to read.



Let's read *The Little Red Hen*.



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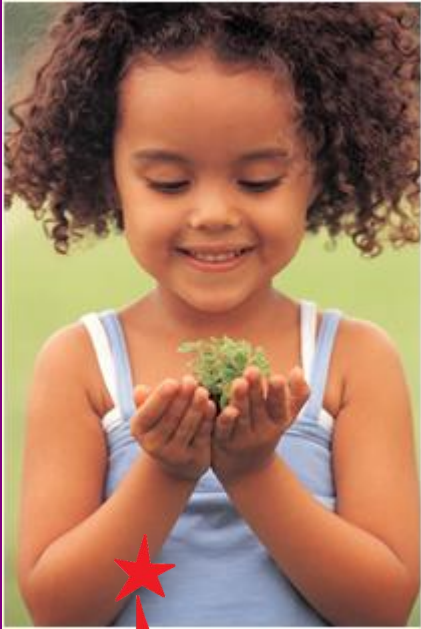
Playing helps your child
get ready to read.



Now, you try reading!



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The language of science
and math can expand your
child's vocabulary.



Help children get ready to read by learning
about science and math.





Children can learn important knowledge about how the world works through simple science and math experiences.



Learning about the world helps children get ready to read.





What is the scientific method?

The scientific method is a way to ask and answer questions by making observations and doing experiments.

What are the steps?

1. Ask a question.
2. Make a guess about the answer.
3. Do an experiment.
4. Make observations.
5. Draw conclusions.



Learning about the world.



Let's learn how to learn by exploring ice cubes!

1. **Question:** Does warm water affect ice?
2. **Predict:** Make a guess. Will the ice cubes in warm water melt differently than the ice cubes in cold water?
3. **Experiment:** Put some ice cubes in warm water and some ice cubes in cold water.
4. **Observe:** Watch the ice cubes closely.
5. **Conclusion:** What happens???



Help your child learn
how to learn.

- Encourage your child to ask questions.
- Talk about possible answers.
- Look for answers together: talk, read, and write!



Start with questions.



How do trees get a
drink of water?



Why can I see my breath
when it is cold?

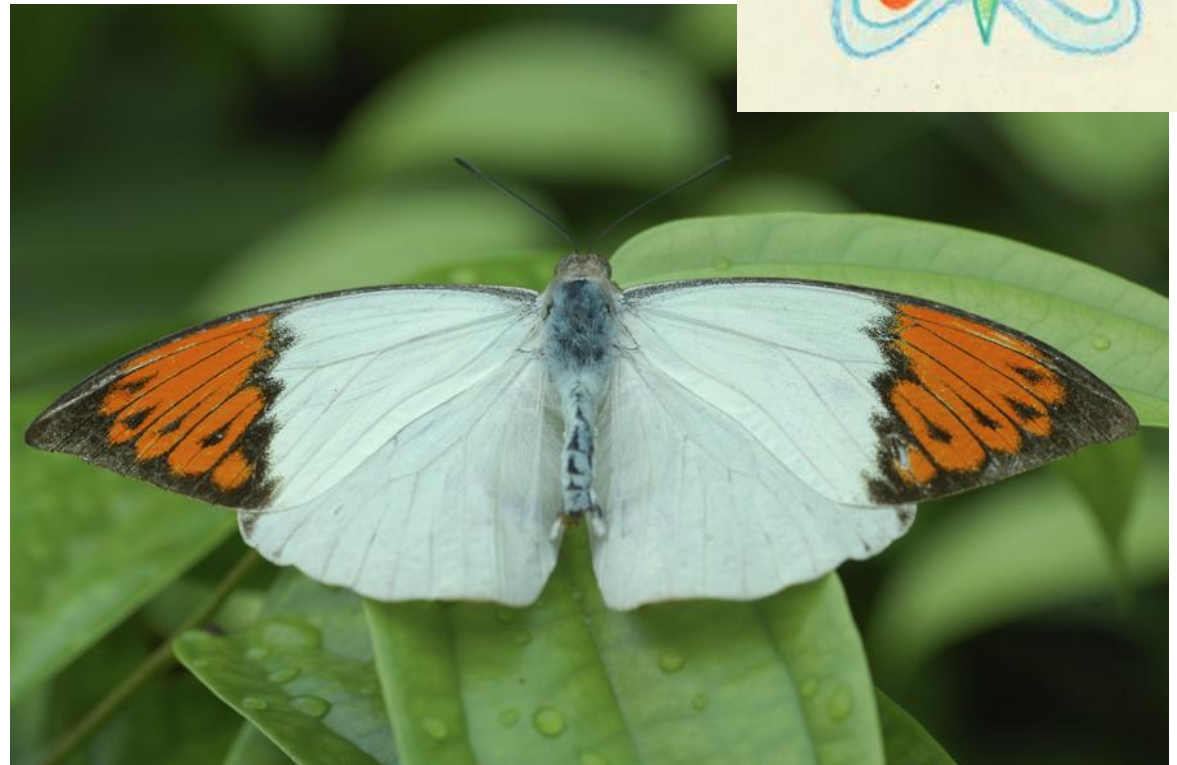


How much is one-half
of something?

What is your question?

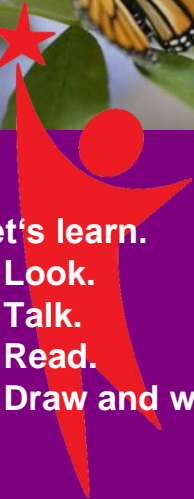


Let's learn about...butterflies.



Let's learn.

1. Look.
2. Talk.
3. Read.
4. Draw and write.



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that your children
find especially
interesting.



Read information, or nonfiction, books.



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Read about topics
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Read story, or fiction, books.



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Now, you try reading!





Math helps children talk
and learn about objects
and ideas.



Learning about the world
continues with math.





Help your child:

- Count
- Measure
- Sort
- Compare
- Order



Math concepts are easy to include in everyday conversation.

How many are there?

Which one is the largest?

Which one looks like a cone?

Can you put them in order from smallest to largest?



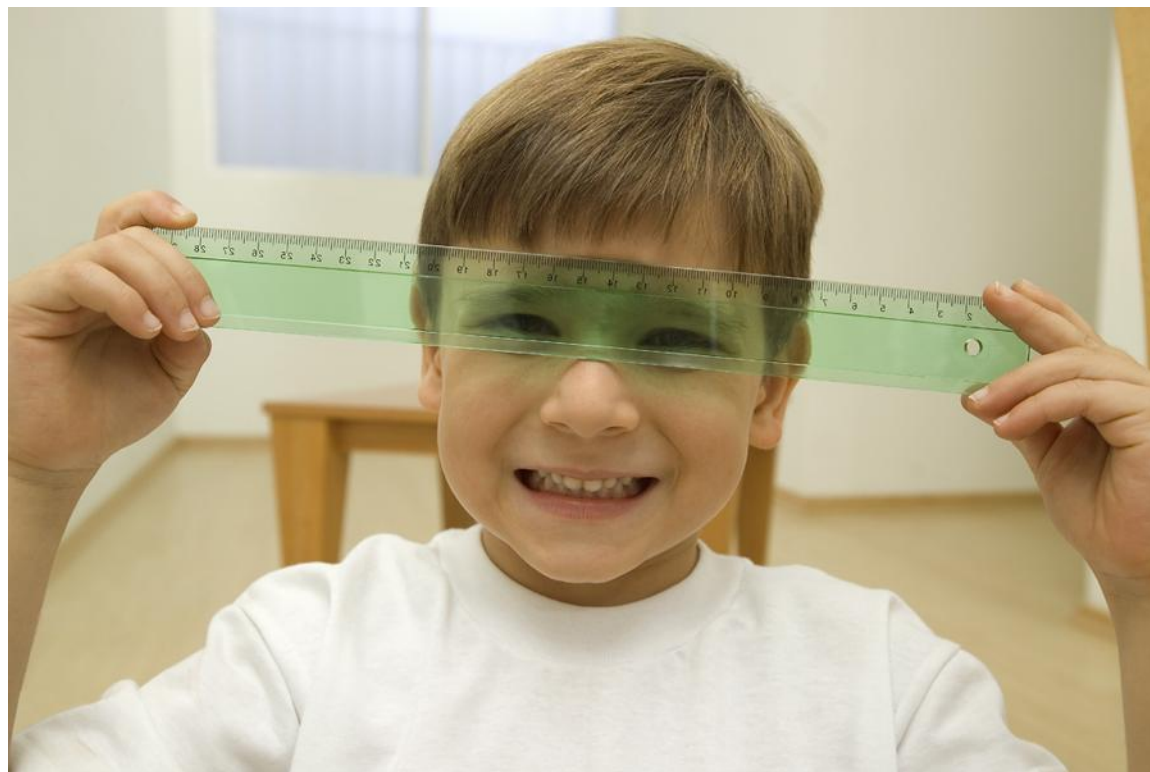
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Use math to
describe, compare,
and draw
conclusions.



Play around with math.



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Learn together by:

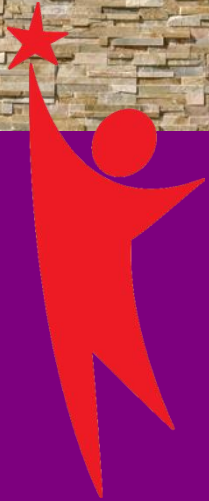
- Exploring new ideas.
- Digging deeper.
- Asking questions.
- Experimenting.
- Drawing conclusions!



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