

# How to Teach a Child to Read

## Pre-Reading Behaviors

- Awareness of print
- Sound Manipulation Games
- Awareness of Rhyme
- Concepts About Print
- Sound Discrimination

## Learning Letters

- You don't have to follow ABC order
- 2 skills: visual ID and corresponding sound
- Incorporate movement and the senses
- Lots of review

## Blending Sounds

- Point to each letter and say the sound
- Slide through each sound slowly

## Sight Words

- Short words, used frequently
- Should be memorized
- Use flashcards, games, patterned text

## Word Families

- If you can read "fan," you can read man, pan, tan, etc.
- Start with 3 letter words using short vowels

## Others Phonics Skills

- Blends (ex: bl, fl, sm, st, tr, gr)
- Digraphs (ch, ck, th, sh, wh)
- Glued sounds (ank, ink, onk, unk, ang, ing, ong, ung)
- There are many more

Making Meaning