

## Developing Fluency

Here are some tips to help your child develop fluency in their reading:

- Read the same text several times. When you're trying to improve fluency, it helps to see the same text multiple times. Each reading becomes easier and motivation goes up as your child experiences enhanced fluency thanks to repeat exposure to words and phrases. It can also help when it comes to developing comprehension skills as readers have more opportunities to notice contextual cues.
- Read some parts of a book to them to show them how it needs to sound. Say, "listen to me read this part – now you try."
- Model fluent reading. Read to your child often and use expression. Expose them to a wide variety of genres including poetry, excerpts from speeches, and folk and fairy tales with rich, lyrical language — texts that will spark your child's interests and draw them into the reading experience.
- Practice reading tricky words and high frequency words so that your child can automatically recognise words.
- Allow your child to read a favourite book over and over again.