

Read Aloud From A To Z

- A** Any time, any place, a child is worth your attention as you read.
- B** Begin at birth for a better bonding experience.
- C** Cultivate closeness as you cuddle in a cozy, comfortable corner.
- D** Daily reading develops a sense of discovery - don't stop even when children can read on their own.
- E** Encourage enjoyment by expressing emotion, excitement and enthusiasm in your reading experience. This is an effective way to form lifelong readers.
- F** Frequent reading equals fuel for fun as you share feelings - and it's free.
- G** Be a good example and a guide as you give the gift of reading to a child.
- H** A home library and reading at home are good places to start for a happy reading experience.
- I** Information sharing, independent thinking and imagination development are by-products of introducing interesting ideas to children.
- J** Join together to read for joy.
- K** Keep on reading even after children can read for themselves. Key in on a child's interests.
- L** Lure a child to a lifelong legacy of listening skills and language development through a love of good literature. Use your LIBRARY!
- M** Model good reading behavior. Readers are made, not born.

- N** It's never too late or too early to be nurtured and nudged into reading - no shoving please!
- O** One person taking the opportunity to read is often all it takes to make a reader.
- P** Reading aloud is portable, pleasurable and develops pre-literacy skills while preparing a child for reading.
- Q** A quiet time, a quiet place and quality books equal quality sharing time.
- R** Relax and read at a regular time and place while role modeling that reading is important.
- S** Share stories in a special place at a special time in a special way for a special person - and SMILE!
- T** Take time to share thoughts, take time to touch and talk together.
- U** Use your reading skills to develop an understanding of the world and its unique experiences for a child.
- V** A valuable activity that helps a child increase verbal expression, increase spoken vocabulary and venture into a wider world of experience.
- W** A wide selection of books opens a world of words and wonder. Reading books aloud fosters a warm relationship between reader and child.
- X** Xanthous people and xylographs become as familiar as xylophones and x-rays when you can read.
- Y** "YOU are special!" is a great message for the reader and the child.
- Z** ZIP to the library, book store, garage sale, thrift store or book sale to find a zingy story to bring zest to a child's life.