

Brain Power

CREATE A LOVE OF READING WITH YOUR CHILD!

The brain needs exercise just like the body. Reading develops vocabulary. The more you read with your child, the more successful they will be in school.

Fun reading activities:

- Start reading to your child from birth; it nurtures the brain.
- Scatter two sets of alphabet cards out on a table and have your child create words from the letters, and then use the word in a sentence. Try to think of silly ways to use the words you create.
- Draw and Tell: Have your child draw a picture and tell a story about the picture. You write down the story in the child's words and read the story together. A great way to start a child's first book collection.
- Climb The Beanstalk: In a hallway or bedroom, stream green paper from floor to ceiling. Cut out leaves or gather real leaves from around your neighborhood. Then starting from the bottom of the streaming paper, have your child add a leaf for every book read or reading activity with date, name of activity or book, and author of book until they reach the top of the bean stalk.
- Read a poem and let your child guess what the next rhyming word might be.

For more fun activities log on to: <http://bit.ly/TWYbFy>
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