**Reading!**

**Before reading:**

* Discuss the title and author, have they read any books by this author before?
* Predict what you think might happen next?
* How is this book similar to others they’ve read?
* Read the blurb and discuss.
* What made them want to read this book?

**During reading:**

* Ask about the characters? How are they feeling? Have you experienced the same as them? Would you have done something differently?
* Allow different strategies for reading (blending, reading the whole sentence to guess a particular word, use the pictures to support reading)
* Discuss new vocabulary (definition, synonym, antonym)
* Encourage intonation or different voices for different speakers.
* Ask retrieval questions (Who, What, When, Where, Find).
* Ask inference questions (Why do you think that? Prove it. Explain your answer using the story.)
* Nonfiction – ask your child to find information using the contents/ glossary and index page.

**After reading:**

* Was your prediction about the story correct? Why / Why not?
* What did they like/ dislike?
* Did you like the ending? Can you think of another ending?
* What were the themes of the book?
* How does this story link to other books you’ve read?
* Would you recommend it? Why?
* Do you have any questions about the book?
* Retell the story using vocabulary from the story.