



Choosing a "Just Right Book"

Take time to read at home. During this time listen to your child read to see if he/she is reading a "just right book." While reading your child should recognize most of the words (one to two unfamiliar words per page are okay—that will keep him/her challenged) If your child is having trouble reading smoothly try picking an easier book. Here's a quick "5-finger test" to see if your child is reading a "just right book."

Have your child read the first five pages of the book out loud to you. The number of words that your child is unable to understand or read easily will tell you if the book is right for your child or not.

- ✓ 0 words=too easy
- ✓ 1-4 words=just right
- ✓ 5 or more words=too challenging



REMEMBER reading is just like a sport, the more time your child practices reading the better a reader he/she will become!