

# Enjoying a Book

## Pre-reading

### Questions:

- How do you keep reading fun?
- What books does your child like?

### Definitions:

- Extra – more than what is usual
- Emphasis – extra force or feeling
- Nurture – to train or educate



## Reading

15 Ann is a busy parent and employee. She works long hours. Molly is a busy  
29 young child. Molly is in preschool and in daycare. Both mother and daughter look  
43 forward to bedtime. Molly loves snuggling with her mom and enjoying a good book.  
59 First, Ann and Molly look at the cover of the book. They talk about what they  
75 see. They look at the colors and objects. They question what kind of story may be  
88 inside. Ann asks her daughter, “What do you think this book is about?”  
104 Next, they open the book. Ann begins to read. She stops at the end of each  
118 page so they can talk about the pictures. The pictures help Molly understand the  
131 story. Sometimes Ann will ask Molly, “What do you think will happen next?”  
142 Molly loves to **guess** what will happen on the next page!  
155 Ann uses her voice in different ways while reading. Sometimes her voice is  
168 loud. Sometimes her voice is soft. Sometimes her voice is low. Sometimes her  
183 voice is high. She raises her voice on a question. She gives extra emphasis to  
190 sentences that end with an exclamation mark.  
205 Ann makes reading fun! She gives life to the words on the pages. Molly can’t  
220 wait to start reading on her own! Ann has nurtured a budding reader. She knows  
226 Molly will do well in school.  
239 Reading is a great learning tool. Reading helps build language and develops the  
252 brain. It is also a wonderful way to be close to your child.

## Understanding

1. Why does Ann read to Molly? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. What does the word **guess** mean? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. When do Ann and Molly read? \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. What do they do before opening a book? \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. What kind of questions does Ann ask Molly while reading? \_\_\_\_\_  
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6. How does Ann use her voice when reading? \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Writing

Choice A: In your own words, write about how Ann reads to Molly.

Choice B: Write about when and how you read with your children.

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