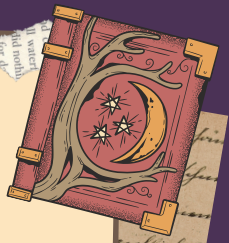
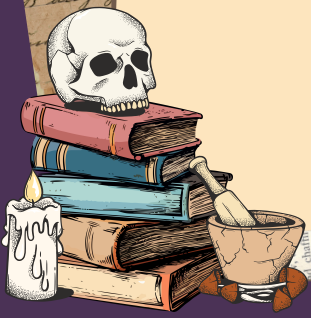


# The Importance of Reading



Establish a family reading time each day, and if possible, set up a reading spot. Model early and often that reading is important. My mom read to us during the day when we were little, and my dad read to us at night—family story time is a win-win!

Different styles of reading are important – audiobooks, follow along/side-by-side reading, independent silent reading, and reading aloud.

Any type of reading material will do! Picture books, Comic books and Graphic novels, Newspapers, Magazines, etc. Reading is reading and it's okay to read the same thing more than once.

Have older children read to younger children, this reinforces speaking aloud, listening skills, and shares the enjoyment of the story across the family.

Reading builds vocabulary. Fiction reading builds imagination, Non-Fiction reading builds knowledge.

Reading more and often increases literacy skills.

Readers' theater is a fun way to make books come alive! Have your family act out their favorite stories.

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