Practical Activities for developing fluency in reading



Strictly Come Reading!

Take it in turns to listen to one another read, providing marks out of 10 for each other's reading. Provide feedback on what was good, e.g. expression, phrase reading etc.

Echo Reading

The adult reads a sentence/paragraph using appropriate expression.

The child 'echoes' or re-reads the same sentence/paragraph out loud, mirroring the adult's tone, volume, rhythm etc.

Choral Reading

Read together/as a family. You will find that the child naturally mimics the adult's voice, using expression in the same places. It also makes children less apprehensive about making a mistake as they are not reading alone.

It's not what you say, it's the way that you say it!

Lucy borrowed my new bike.

Read as if:

You've got other bikes

Lucy borrowed my **new** bike.

- You don't think she planned to give it back
- Lucy borrowed my new bike.
 - You can't believe Lucy would do such a thing

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