

SPRÅKSTEGEN

# READ TOGETHER



Detta är en översättning till **ENGELSKA** av "Läs tillsammans"

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Looking at books and reading together with your child is a great way of spending time with one another. It's also a good chance to have a talk together. Books, stories and reading stimulate the language development of children. Reading is a chance for children to use their imagination, creativity and concentration, and is a way to learn new words.

## NOT TOO DIFFICULT



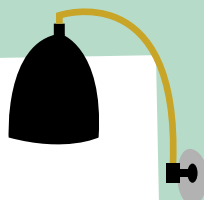
Choose a book that is suitable for your child's language level and interests. You can borrow books from your library. It is free of charge and the staff there will be happy to help you!

## USE YOUR OWN WORDS



Tell the story with your own words and in your own language using the pictures as help. Link the story to your child's own experiences. That makes it easier to adapt the book to your child.

## NICE AND COSY



Try to find some time to read every day. Choose a time when you can be calm and relaxed without being disturbed. Sit comfortably and maintain physical and eye contact with your child. Focus on the book and storytelling, and don't let anything else interrupt. Your child loves listening to your voice, even if you may feel that you aren't reading that well.



## SHOW THE PICTURES

Point out the most important pictures to the text as you tell the story. That will help your child to focus on what is important in the text. Your child will find it easier to understand and follow the story.



## FEEL FREE TO EXAGGERATE

Don't be afraid of acting out the story as you read. Feel free to use sounds, facial expressions and gestures. Exaggerate the tone, pause (especially before surprises) and imitate things in the text. Play with your voice - make it high-pitched or deep to illustrate different characters. That will interest your child and get their attention.

## LET YOUR CHILD JOIN IN

Let your child's interest and pace guide how you read the book. Focus on what your child shows interest in, such as the pictures, and put words to that. Take your time so you can capture your child's words, gestures and sounds.

## TELL THE STORY TOGETHER

Once you have read the book a few times, you can use the pictures to tell the story together and help remember what the book is about.





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