

# READING NOOK

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Dear Parents,

Reading is a critical skill and as we progress into the school year, many of you may be wondering how you can support your children at home. We would like to assist you by providing a better understanding of reading comprehension. Comprehension is the reason for reading. If readers can read the words but cannot understand or connect to what they are reading they are not reading accurately. We would like to share a few simple procedures that you can use with your children at home to improve their comprehension skills.

Best,  
Mrs. Lomaga  
& Ms. Perez

### Procedures to practice at home...

#### Retelling

Retelling involves having children orally summarize a story that they have read.

During a retelling the children can:

- Retell the beginning, middle and end of a story in order
- Describe the setting (Where the story takes place)
- Identify the problem and solution of the story
- Retell events and facts in a sequence
- State their opinion of the story

#### Story Maps

The purpose of a story map is to help children focus on the important parts of the story.

When completing a story map the children can identify the title of the story, the beginning (The story starts when...), middle (After that...) and end of the story (The story ends...).

#### Story Frames

Story frames allow children to organize the sequence of events in a story.

Some simple story frames are:

- The problem in the story is \_\_\_\_\_.
- This is a problem because \_\_\_\_\_.
- The problem is solved when \_\_\_\_\_.
- In the end \_\_\_\_\_.



We would like to thank all the parents who attended our November Parent Workshop on Motivation and Sight Word Recognition.

Our next workshop will be held on Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> from 2:30-3:30 PM. in Room 208. We will be discussing comprehension skills and strategies.