Do you spend fun times sharing reading with your child?

Children love stories and love hearing and reading them over and over again.

Here are some suggestions for you:

Before you share reading the book
- Talk about the front cover, title and any illustrations.
- Discuss any information or illustrations on the back cover.
- Talk about the book’s illustrations. You can talk about their purpose and their appeal.
- Ask who might enjoy reading the book.

While you and your child are reading
- Listen to your child read aloud in English and in your home language.
- Talk about any part of the book your child does not understand.
- Discuss the meaning of any difficult words and try using them in future conversations.

After reading together
- Talk about what your child enjoyed in the book, didn’t enjoy or didn’t understand and why.
- Ask your child to retell an exciting or meaningful event in the story.
- Encourage your child to read anywhere and any time.
- Visit your local library together.
- Find great literacy ideas at the Kids’ Link at: <http://www.nlnw.nsw.edu.au/kids.htm>
Great books to help numeracy learning

- Mr Archimedes’ Bath
  Pamela Allen
- Who Sank the Boat?
  Pamela Allen
- The Waterhole
  Graeme Base
- Uno’s Garden
  Graeme Base
- The Very Hungry Caterpillar
  Eric Carle
- Counting on Frank
  Rod Clement
- One Ted Falls Out of Bed
  Julia Donaldson
- Tick Tock
  James Dunbar
- Ten Red Apples
  Pat Hutchins
- We All Went on Safari, a Counting Journey through Tanzania
  Laurie Krebs
- One is a Snail, Ten is a Crab
  April Pulley Sayre and Jeff Sayre
- One Less Fish
  Kim Michelle Toft and Allan Sheather
- One Woolly Wombat
  Rod Trinca
- Too Many Monkeys
  Margaret Wild
- Jump In
  Ian Whybrow

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Have you visited the Count Me In Too website?
The site contains numeracy activities and information for children, parents and teachers.