

Tips for Reading Success

Before Reading

Take a "picture walk" with the reader by looking at the illustrations to:

- Familiarize the reader with the characters and setting.
 - Predict what may happen in the story.
- Identify the words that occur regularly, or words that may be challenging.

Introduce the reader to the patterns and structure of the book:

- Draw their attention to repeated sentences or phrases.
- Identify the thematic language: shapes, colors, numbers, or opposites.

During Reading

Encourage the reader to track the words with a finger or fun pointer while reading or listening to someone else read.

When the reader encounters unknown words, ask:

- Does what you are reading make sense? Does it make sense with the picture?
 - Does what you are reading sound right? Is that how you would say it?
- Does what you are saying look right? Do your sounds match with the letters?

After Reading

Encourage the reader to:

- Start at the beginning and tell what happened in the story.
- Find their favorite part, reread it, and explain why they liked that part.
 - Write their own story using key language from the book (shapes, numbers, colors, or opposites).

Above all, enjoy the time spent with this book and make reading fun!





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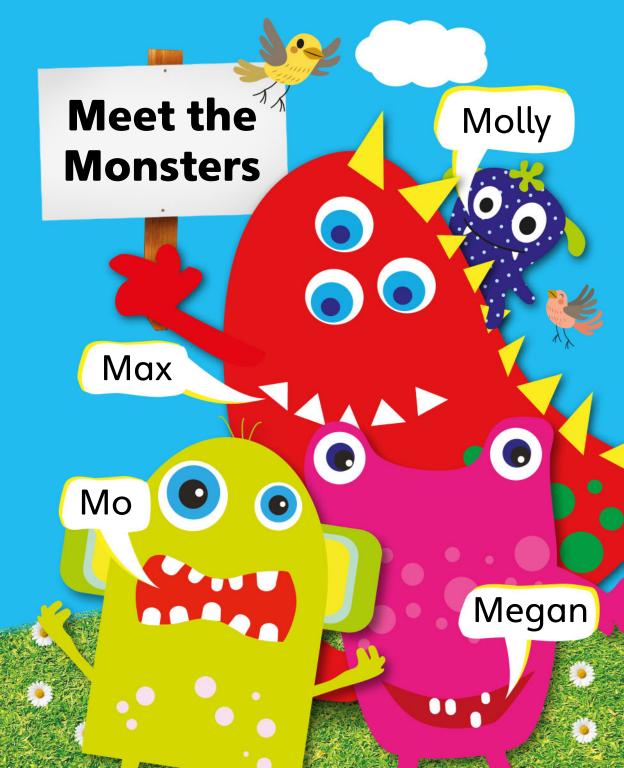
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