Razkids Q&A

Q: How often should my child read on the program themselves?

A: It is important to have your child read at least <u>20</u> minutes per day. If they wish to use other parts of the program (listen to books, answer questions etc), that would be even more beneficial!

Q: Are there any tips before recording?

A: Your child can flip through the pages to get an idea of the story, listen to the story and then try reading it themselves. Once they have read it through once, then they could record.

Q: How can my child record on Razkids?

A: There is a microphone icon at the top of each book. If you can not see it, press the down arrow on the cover of the book(located at the top center) and the microphone should pop up.

Q: How often should my child record a book?

A: It would be great if we could hear your child 2-3 times per week. That way we can suggest strategies to work on.

Q: What should I do if my child is stuck on a word?

A: You should prompt your child with one of the following strategies that we teach at school:

*Look at the picture

*Make the first sound of the word

*Stretch out the sounds

*Skip the word and go back to see what makes sense, sounds right and looks right.

*Does it look like a word you know? (Rhyme it)- ex: fun looks like run

*Look for a little word inside of a big word. (ex: In little, "it" is the little word)

* Go back to the beginning of the sentence and start again to get a "running jump" at the word.

*Cover part of the word (often the ending is best) -ex: without- cover "out" so your eyes and brain can see "with". Then, cover "with" to put the 2 words together.

*Words with an "e" at the end often make the first vowel say its name, not its sound. (ex: White) We call this Magic E.

More Teacher Tips:

-Avoid telling your child the word without having he or she try to solve it themselves first.

-If they do make an error, ask them to "check it." Eventually, they should be doing this on their own but sometimes they need a 3-5 second wait time before we adults jump in.

-Please let us know if we can help you in any way! Happy Reading!