

# Read to Succeed!

Monthly reading tips from your Title 1 team.

## The Power of Asking Questions

Let's face it, in everyone's super busy schedules, settling in with your child to read a story is such precious time. This time can be made even more valuable by simply asking them questions about the book they are reading or that you are reading to them. "When you ask questions during story time, it really helps children learn to be active readers and to think critically," says Tammy Milby, Ph.D., director of reading in the Department of Education at the University of Richmond. Questioning helps your child make predictions and connections to the text. It helps you both become actively involved in the story. Below are some questions to ask before, during, and after a story to encourage your young learner to think about the text in a more in-depth way (it's OK if your child can't read independently yet!).



Mrs. Beach (Title 1 Aide) reading *Fly Guy*, a kid approved series from our new scholastic library at WR Croman.

### BEFORE READING

- What will this story be about?
- Where do you think the story takes place (setting)?
- Do you think this is fiction or non-fiction? Why?
- Does this book remind you of anything?

### DURING

- What are the names of our characters again?
- What words do you think best describe this character?
- If you were that character, what would you have done differently in that situation?
- What do you think will happen next?

### AFTER

- Ask your child to retell the story in their own words.
- What was your favorite part?
- If you could change one thing in the book, what would it be?
- Can you make up a different ending to this story?



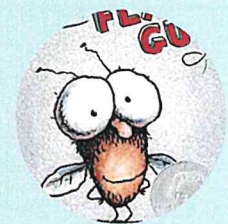
### Research shows...

reading for 6 minutes a day reduces stress by 68%.

### App Spotlight!



*Khan Academy Kids* is a free educational app that is best suited for ages 2-8. The app puts your child on an adapted learning path and includes engaging games!



### Book Spotlight!

The *Fly Guy* book series is a kid favorite! It is perfect for 1st and 2nd graders!