

Reading Tips and Tricks

Tips for word attack:

- Don't correct right away! Give your student time to recognize their mistake and then help them use strategies to fix it.
- Not all "mistakes" need to be fixed! If your student makes a small "mistake", such as replacing "a" for "the", just move on! It did not change any meaning from the story, so there is no need to point it out.

Tips for Comprehension

- Ask recall questions: What happened in the story? What problem did the character face?
- Ask critical thinking questions: Why did the character make that decision? How did the character feel when _____?

Tips for Fluency

- Look for right speed—Not too fast and not too slow!
- Smooth, not choppy
- Watch for inflection and attention to punctuation.

Don't forget to compliment your student! One major goal is to build confidence, so find something in every reading experience to compliment—excellent excitement with exclamation marks, correcting their own mistakes, etc.