

**Guided Reading** – Helping your child to develop their fluency when reading

**Step 1.** Explore the cover of the book. Look at colour, images and text. Talk about what clues they give you about the book. Is it fiction or non-fiction? What do you think it will be about? Why?

**Step 2**. Look the through the book together. Talk about how it is set out, any titles, images etc. Point out any key words that your child may not be familiar with.

**Step 3.** Read with your child. Take turns reading a section each. Point to the words as you read them. Model to your child that it is ok if you do not know a word. Show them ways to break it down – sounding out letters, breaking it up into syllables, looking at familiar parts of a word, reading the whole sentence to get clues about the meaning of a word, using a dictionary or glossary.

**Step 4.** Reread sections already read. Swap sections.

**Step 5**. Listen to your child read the whole section independently.

NOTE:

Steps 3,4,5 can be spread over a few days

If returning to the same book Step 1 should be a recap of what they read about last time and predicting what the next section might be about.