

## Santa Community Project

"Making Reading a Priority & Smiles a Reality for 25 Years!"



## 25 Ways to Increase a Love for Reading in Children

- 1. Read to your child every day.
- 2. Read with fun in your voice.
- 3. Tell your children how much you enjoy reading with them.
- 4. Take turns with your children when selecting a book to read together.
- 5. Spend more time cuddling and reading books with your children.
- 6. Build your child's vocabulary by naming every person, place and object.
- 7. Take frequent field trips to the library.
- Reach out to librarians and educators to help you find age-appropriate books for your child.
- 9. Put the book away for a while if your child loses interest
- 10. Take books and writing materials for your children whenever you all leave home.
- 11. Create a quiet, special place in your home for your child to read, write and draw.
- 12. Keep books and other reading materials where your children can easily reach them.

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- 13. Limit the amount of television you and your children watch.
- 14. Set a good example for your child by reading books, newspapers and magazines.
- 15. Listen to audio books.
- 16. Entertain and occupy your children with books when traveling and going to appointments.
- 17. Invite your children to help you sort mail by reading the recipients' names.
- 18. Point out and read printed words in your home.
- 19. Take turns reading signs and packaging in the grocery store.
- 20. Ask your child questions about the book after reading it.
- 21. Offer your child opportunities to read recipes, instructions and cereals boxes to you.
- 22. Write a special note to your children and read it to them.
- 23. Ask your children to write a special note to you and read it to you.
- 24. Create a homemade book together using drawing and writing materials.
- 25. Be your children's # 1 fan by showing interest in their homework.