

Phonics/Decoding Strategies

1. Look at the letters from left to right.
2. Think about the sounds for the letters, and look for word parts you know.
3. Blend the sounds to read the word.
4. Ask yourself:
 - *Is it a word I know?
 - *Does it make sense in what I am reading?
5. If not, ask yourself:
 - *What else can I try?

Hints to Help Your Child

Use these hints. Don't tell!

- *Can you sound out the letters?
- *It starts with _____.
- *Are there words parts you know?
- *Read the sentence again.
- *Think about what makes sense.
- *Does that match the picture?