



The importance of sharing stories and reading time for younger children in Early Years.

Key research findings found that in 2024, fewer parents reported engaging daily in all home learning activities compared with 2019.

Why is sharing stories with children so important?

It's time for children to spend quality time and bond with their loved ones or a familiar adult. Reading in sharing stories is also a powerful way to develop empathy learning skill children, to consider their viewpoint and transfer their learning to handle their own feelings.

It helps support and develop communication language and building listening and attention which boost cognition abilities is preparing them for school and beyond.

In the early years of life helps with physical skills handling books and turning pages and giving babies and young children a chance to develop gross and fine motor skill movements.

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