



Supporting your child at home with reading



Fred Talk

Fred the frog helps children read. He can say the sounds in words e.g. *c-a-n* *p-l-ay*, but he cannot say the whole word, so children have to help him read. So, when you hear your child say 'Fred Talk', you'll know this means sounding out the word.



Ditty 1: pop

Speed Sounds - read the sounds (not the letter name)

a g t p n s d o i

Green Words - read these words by blending the sounds together

not got sip pop dad did dog

Red Words - read these words but tell your child the word if they get stuck

I the

I got pop

dad got a sip

the dog did not



Help your child read the Ditty

Remember not to read the Ditty to your child first.
As your child reads the Ditty, be patient and give your child plenty of praise.

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1. Speed sounds—point to the sounds and ask your child to read them. First in order and then out of order.
2. Green words—use Fred talk to read the green words.
3. Red words—get your child to read the red words. You cannot Fred talk these words so just tell your child, if they get stuck.
4. Read the ditty—ask your child to read the Ditty, be patient and give them plenty of time.