

10 things your child learns when you read stories and poems everyday

- Build pictures in their minds from the words on the page
- Understand humour and irony
- Use new words and phrases in different contexts and later in writing
- Learn new vocabulary and knowledge of the world
- Think about character's feelings and use appropriate voices
- Follow a plots with all its twists and turns
- Understand suspense and predict what's about to happen next
- Link sentences and ideas from one page to the next
- Use punctuation to make meaning
- Appreciate rhythm and rhyme

