

Echo Reading

Read a line and ask your child to read a line back to you in exactly the same way. Practise this with pairs of lines/verses from a poem.

Raps are a great way to improve fluency and develop rhythm!

I'm the best rapping Gran this world's ever seen,

I'm a tip-top, slip-slap, rap-rap queen.

She rose from the chair in the corner of the room

And she started to rap with a bim-bam-boom,

And she rolled up her eyes and she rolled round her head

And as she rolled by, this is what she said,

I'm the best rapping Gran this world's ever seen,

I'm a nip-nap, yip-yap, rap-rap queen!

Modelled Reading:

- 'Strictly Come Reading.' Take it in turns to listen to one another read, providing marks out of 10 for each other's reading. Provide feedback on what was good e.g. expression, phrase reading etc.
- Listen to audio books, whilst following the texts.
- Watch videos of poets reading their own material.
- Adult read a page using appropriate expression, child reads the following page mirroring what was heard before.

Repeated reading:

Give children the opportunity to:

- read and then re-read the same text;
- re-read favourite books and familiar poems;
- re-visit easier texts;
- share texts they read when they were younger;
- practise silently reading familiar material, using their 'inner voice'.

Choral Reading

Read together/as a family. You will find that the children naturally mirror the adult's voice, using expression in the same places. It also makes children less apprehensive about making a mistake as they are not reading alone.