

Help your child

Choose the Perfect Book



Using the Five Finger Method

Chose a page to read in the middle of the book. Put up one finger for every “clunk” (word your child doesn’t know or needs a long time to figure out). When your child finishes reading the page, see how many fingers are raised.

0 fingers = too easy

1 or 2 fingers = easy reading

3 fingers = just right

4 fingers = challenging

5 fingers = difficult

6 or more fingers = too hard for now

Note:

It’s okay to occasionally read too easy or easy books (0-2 fingers).

If the book is difficult or too hard (5 or more fingers), it’s okay to read with an adult or older sibling or friend.