

## **Tips for a Better Storytime**

This month, we're sharing some helpful tips to strengthen your home literacy environment. Our team of literacy experts designed this easy-to-follow guide to support families and children with at-home learning during school closure periods in Cambodia and Laos. The short guide complemented the distribution of storybooks to 90,000 children in Cambodia and 12,000 children in Laos.

## **Storybook Time with Children**



Select a storybook and read or look at the pictures alone.



Gather the children and explain that it's Storybook Time.

OR



Show the cover of the book, read the title, and ask questions...What do you see? What do you think happens?



Read the book slowly and clearly. Use expressions and gestures as you read. Pause to show the pictures.

If it is difficult for you to read, talk with children about the pictures.

OR children read to you.

Read the book together with the children

OR



After you finish the story, ask more questions. Who? What? Where? When? What happened? What character do you like the most?



Have children do fun sounds and actions from the story.

Have children role play a character from the story.



If you have time, read the story again or talk more about the pictures.

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