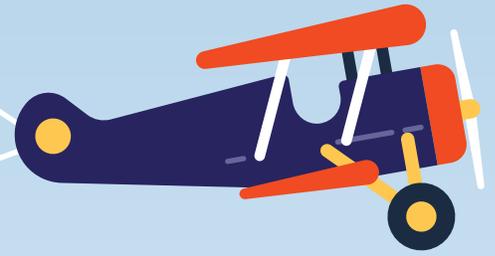


# 8 Strategies for Teaching Budding Readers



## Teach Explicitly During Story Time

Stop and teach vocabulary words by:

1. Giving a child-friendly definition
2. Using examples from the story
3. Making connections with children's life experiences

## Expand & Enhance Instruction

Increase the amount and intensity of literacy instruction by:

4. Using large groups, small groups, and one-on-one instruction
5. Providing more examples and feedback during instruction time
6. Adding additional sessions during the day or week

## Focus on Key Skills

Identify key skills for language and early literacy success by:

7. Teaching vocabulary words that are useful in the classroom and at home
8. Targeting a small set of sounds (e.g., /m/, /s/, /p/, /b/) for phonemic awareness

