

A trip to your local library can help your child love reading

Experts believe all children can enjoy reading. It's just a matter of finding the right materials. Before your next library visit, consider these five things:

1. Your child's hobbies. He might find an irresistible book about baseball, video games or cooking. Ask the librarian for suggestions.
2. Different genres. Perhaps your child would like to read a mystery, a how-to book or a biography. Consider everything!
3. Company. Kids who "don't like" to read often take pride in reading to others. Bring along a younger sibling, a grandparent or a favorite stuffed animal.
4. Alternatives to books. Your child might prefer shorter materials, such as articles, comics or recipes. All of these count as reading!
5. Activities. See if your local library hosts read-aloud times, or has reading-related computer games for kids.

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