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## HOW TO READ ALOUD

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One of the suggested activities during catch up Friday is reading aloud. It is an activity where the teacher read a story for the class. Some may think it is easy and boring. Some says that it is just merely testing the comprehension of the learners about the story read. But what is reading aloud?

Reading aloud is an artistic way of a teacher in presenting a story. It enhances pupil's attention, stimulates imagination, improves listening skills, broader their vocabulary and helps children to enjoy shared reading.

Here are some techniques in doing it.

Select a good story. Selecting a story is based on the level of the learners. Words and number of words are appropriate to the learners. The story must catch the attention of a child. Make sure that a child can relate to a particular story.

Unlock the difficulties that you will encounter in the story. Before reading, find words in the story that may be difficult for a child then help the children to understand it. Use word clues, action or even a picture.

Formulate a motive question. It is a question that may give a glimpse of the story. It is a challenging question that will motivate the child to listen.

Use a variety of voice. Your voice may vary depending on the character who talks in an event.





Apply dynamics. Your voice may be loud or soft according to the situation. By using dynamics, you can make a little suspense in the story.

Be a good actor or actress. In reading aloud, teachers are merely the actors or actresses in the story. It's just like having one act play, where the teacher plays the role of a different character.

Keep your audience attentively. To keep your audience, formulate questions in some event. You can ask question during reading. It may be predicting outcome according to the situation. You can also develop higher order thinking skills of your pupils.

Practice regularly to improve your skills and confidence.



