

Tips to help your child become a more successful reader:

- **Make** reading part of every day, even for just a few minutes. Find the parts of your day where you can add time to read, and areas where you can keep *Kid Scoop News*, and books, so they are always available. Consider downloading a virtual library on your cell phone or tablet.
- **Talk** about how the pictures in *Kid Scoop News* and books help to understand the text.
- **Show** your child the cover page and ask for predictions regarding what the month's issue will be about.
- **Listen** to your child read.
- **Read** the story using different voices for each of the stories and/or characters. Have fun!
- **Choose** from an array of articles that spark your child's interests, such as sports, historical figures, animals, money, adventure, or current events.
- **Ask** questions about text your child reads. What did you learn? What was the writer's purpose? What are the most important points?
- **Allow** your child to ask questions about the story. Talk about familiar activities and objects.
- **Let** your child retell the most important points of a text.

- **Encourage** your child to reflect on what was read by doing an associated activity in *Kid Scoop News* or writing a summary, journal entry, or short reflection.
- **Look** for a “reading to dogs” program at your local library. Volunteers bring therapy-certified dogs who will sit quietly while being read to. The results of these programs have been very positive in improving literacy skills.

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