The 6 Skills of Early Literacy

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Love of Reading

An interest in books and a desire to read and learn



Vocabulary

Knowing the words to name and describe things in detail



Combining Sounds

Understanding how to combine sounds to make words What does a child need to be ready to learn to read?

Book Handling

Knowing how to hold a book, turn pages and follow text



Storytelling

The ability to describe events with a beginning, middle, and end



Recognizing Letters

Knowing the shapes, sounds and names of all the letters



