The 6 Skills of Early Literacy

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