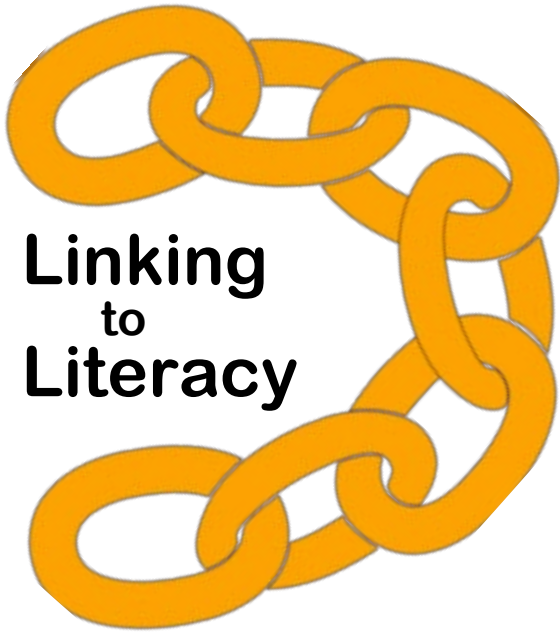


Simple activities designed to help parents and/or caregivers participate in, and support, a child's literacy skills and educational goals:

## Linking to Literacy



- **Easiest:** Locate the letter **Gg** on the book cover. As you read the story together, count how many **Ggs** on each page. After reading the book, use playdough, string, or dry beans to form an **uppercase G** and a **lowercase g**.
- **More Difficult:** Short **u** makes the sound you hear in the middle of the word **cut**, or the beginning of the word **ugly**. Watch for words in the book with the short **vowel pattern CVCC**.
- **Challenging:** **Onomatopoeia** is a really big word for naming a thing or action by the sound it is associated with, such as hiss or buzz. As you read through the book, make a list of words that fit the definition of **onomatopoeia**.

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