



The Hiccups Read, Play & Connect

A three-part ritual for more talk, noticing, and connection at storytime.



YOUR HICCUP MISSION

Try one Hiccups reading ritual:

3 MISSION BADGES TO EARN



COLOR



DRAW



TALK



Hiccup is ready to begin.

WHY IT HELPS

Interactive reading invites children to notice, predict, and participate.

TRY IT TOGETHER

Pause once, follow your child's idea, and celebrate the conversation.

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AGES 3-5 | SCREEN-FREE





Before reading: Look, guess,

Turn the first page into a tiny mystery with Hiccup.

MISSION TRAIL



GROWN-UP MISSION

Let your child study one page before you read the words.

1

LOOK

What do you notice first?

2

GUESS

What might happen next?

3

FIND

Can you spot one tiny clue?

WORDS TO BORROW

I notice...

I wonder...

My guess is...



Hiccup notices the little

WHY IT HELPS

Prediction and observation build story comprehension.

TRY IT TOGETHER

Wait five quiet seconds before offering a clue.



During reading: Touch, count,

Choose one interaction lane. You do not need to do them all.

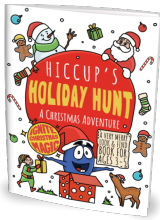
MISSION TRAIL



GROWN-UP MISSION

Follow your child's interest: finding, counting, safety, or feelings.

FIND + COUNT



Hiccup's turn.

- 1 Touch each clue once.
- 2 Count slowly out loud.
- 3 Compare: more, less, same.

CHOOSE + SAY



Hiccup's turn.

- 1 Point to the safe choice.
- 2 Name one feeling.
- 3 Say one helpful phrase.

WHY IT HELPS

Touching and speaking make new words more memorable.

TRY IT TOGETHER

Stop while it is still fun; one interaction is enough.



After reading: One tiny mission

Carry one book idea into the next five minutes.

MISSION TRAIL



GROWN-UP MISSION

Let your child choose one mission. Finish with a Hiccup high-five.



FIND

Find one real-life object from the story.



COUNT

Count five toys, steps, or fingers.



ACT

Practice one kind or safe choice.



SAY

Say one positive sentence together.



THE 5-MINUTE HICCUP RHYTHM

Read one page | Notice one clue | Try one mission | Celebrate one effort

WHY IT HELPS

A tiny follow-up helps children connect books to everyday life.

TRY IT TOGETHER

Name the effort: You looked closely. You kept trying.

