



# POWERFUL PARTNERS

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**Parents and Guardians,**

**You are powerful partners in education and learning does not have to end in the classroom. How can you help at home? Here are some engaging activities that will support learning at home and help your child become more successful in their studies.**

## READING

### Increase reading Fluency

- Find ways to encourage your child to pick up another book. Introduce him or her to a series like The Boxcar Children or Harry Potter or to a second book by a favorite author, or ask the librarian for additional suggestions.

### Increase Vocabulary

- Crack open the dictionary. Let your child see you use a dictionary. Say, "Hmm, I'm not sure what this word means...I think I'll look it up."

## MATH

*(2nd Grade Review)*

### Represent and solve problems using addition and subtraction

- Have your child answer the following: "If you saw 6 people at the park on your walk, and 3 more people joined in on the fun, how many people are there at the park?"
- Have your child make up a problem for you like the one above to give to you. They must know the answer so that they can "check your work".

### Add and subtract within 20

- Give your child two one digit numbers using addition as you are traveling in the car. See how many you can do on a short car ride. Have them keep tallies on paper and see if you can do more on your return trip home. (Examples:  $3+8=11$ ) 20 or less as the answers
- Have your child give you problems to solve as well. They will learn facts as they are asking you them, and hearing your answers as well.