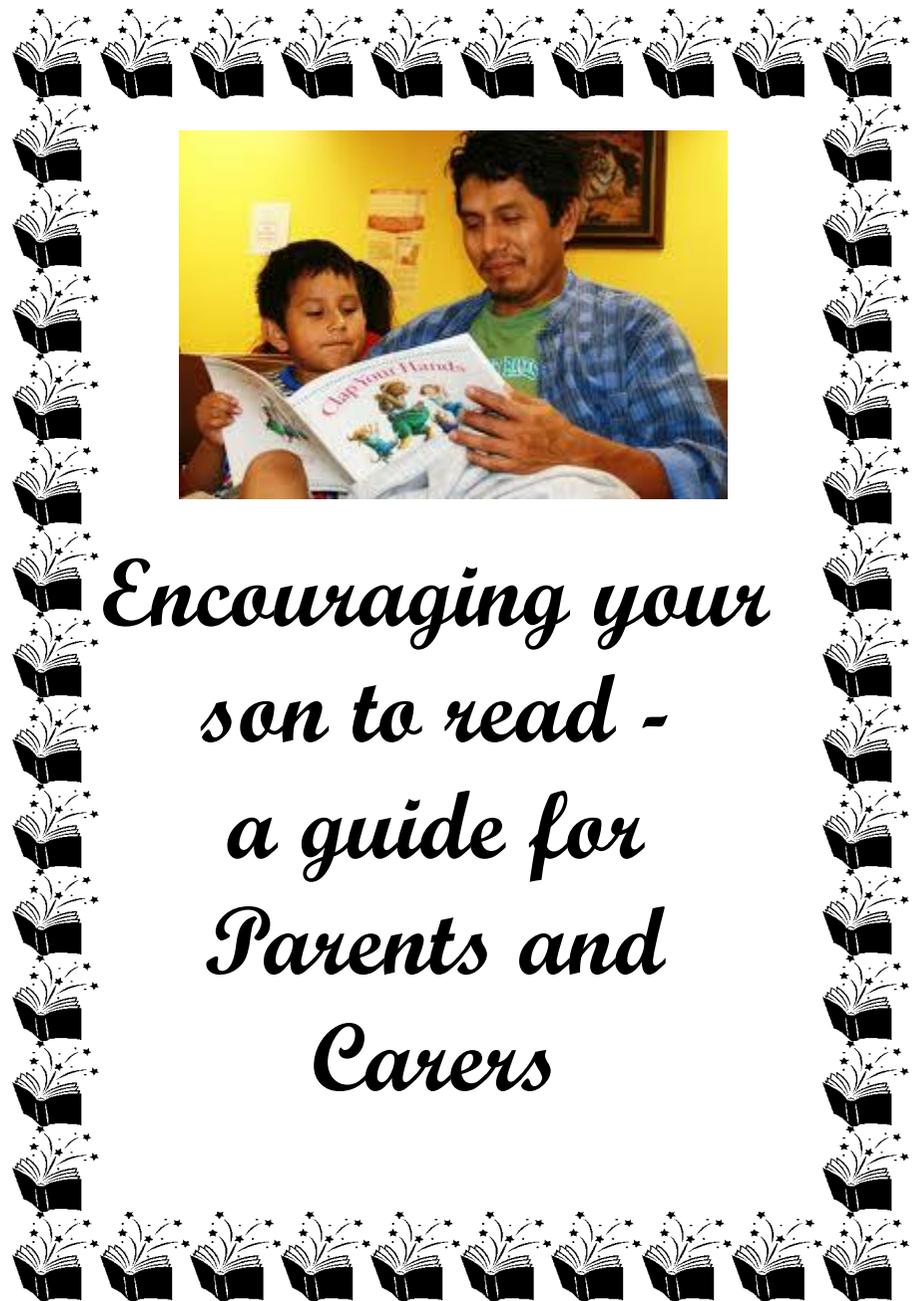
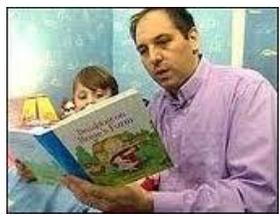


"The more you read, the more things you will know.  
The more that you learn, the more places you'll go"  
Dr Seuss



*Encouraging your  
son to read -  
a guide for  
Parents and  
Carers*

## *Top tips for reading at home together*



- 1. Let your son see you reading-books, newspapers, magazines, labels, instructions*
- 2. Leave books that will appeal to him around the house*
- 3. Subscribe to a magazine that might appeal to him*
- 4. Encourage family and friends who your son respects and loves to buy books as presents alongside other items that interest him. For example, a football with a soccer story)*
- 5. Let him choose his own reading material from the library or bookshop. Easier books can be comforting, some books may be too hard but have interesting pictures or photographs*
- 6. Let him explore various topics that may not fit stereotypical male interests without being teased*
- 7. When he reads information, for example the sports pages of a newspaper, motorbike facts, instructions for a Playstation game be sure these are valued as much as a 'reading book'*
- 8. When he browses through facts or trivia, for example 'The Guinness Book of Records', value this activity*
- 9. If he has a particular sporting hero, try to find a biography about that person*
- 10. Read aloud information that interests him, but may be beyond his reading level, for him to be inspired to find out more*
- 11. Make a cosy story time part of his bedtime routine, choosing an exciting story with chapters to aid his recall and prediction skills*
- 12. Make a scrap book together all about him called 'My book about Everything'*
- 13. When in the car make phrases from letters on car number plates (BTG - bring two goats)*
- 14. Use the computer to search for websites that interest him*
- 15. Choose a book together to donate to the school library when he leaves primary school. Personalise it with a nameplate*
- 16. Make sure Dad, granddad or your son's father-figure reads with him. He is a huge role model.*