

# 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 Comprehension

- If you know your child has difficulties with reading comprehension, choose chapter books with shorter chapters (teachers may have good suggestions). These books can be a good introduction to longer stories without overwhelming a child.
- For books your child owns (not borrowed books from the library or school), teach children how to highlight key phrases or character reactions. Kids also could make notes in the margins about how they think a character might feel or even make predictions about what may happen in the next chapter. Encouraging kids to make notes or highlight may help them think about the book as they read.

## MATH

### Represent and solve problems using multiplication and division

- Have your child answer the following: "If you made \$2.00 every hour of work, how much money would you make for working 4 hours?"
- Have your child make up a problem for you like the one above to share with you. They must know the answer so that they can "check your work".

### Multiply and divide within 100

- Have your child practice multiplication facts as you travel down the road. Make it a game and do one fact each time you see a McDonald's Restaurant, etc.
- Take post-it notes and put the answers to division facts around your home. Give your child a problem and have them go find the answer and bring it back to you. (Example: 100 divided by 10 – student would find the post-it with the number 10 and bring it to you) and you would give another fact.