

# Reading Fluency — Simple Chapter Book Introduction

Base Sheet

Activity Sheet

The child reads a simple early reader chapter book, transitioning from picture books to longer texts with chapters. This milestone builds reading stamina, comprehension across pages, and the excitement of a continued story.

## What You Need:

- Early chapter book (Frog and Toad, Henry and Mudge, Owl at Home, or similar)
- Bookmark
- Comfortable reading area
- Paper for response journal (optional)

## Steps:

1. Choose an appropriate early chapter book (Frog and Toad, Henry and Mudge, or similar level)
2. 'Today you're going to read a CHAPTER BOOK! That's a book with chapters — like sections of the story.'
3. 'We'll read one chapter together today. It's like one little adventure within a bigger story.'
4. Child reads aloud. Help with difficult words using phonics strategies: 'Sound it out. Do you see a pattern you know?'
5. After the chapter: 'What happened? Who are the characters? What do you think will happen next?'
6. 'You don't have to finish the whole book today. That's the exciting part of chapter books — you come back tomorrow to find out what happens!'
7. Mark the place with a bookmark.

## Work Space:

