

Build Your Reader

Telling stories is a wonderful way to increase children's vocabulary. As you tell a story, use new words and explain what they mean, or talk about something your child hasn't experienced and explain what happens.

Fun with Words

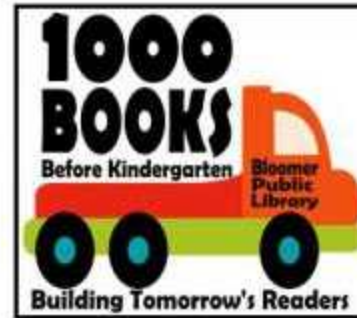
Here are some storytelling tips. Remember that almost any story you tell your child will be of interest—just because you are the one telling it!

- For infants and toddlers, start with silly sounds. Children delight in mimicking the sounds you make. This is just the beginning of having conversations with your child.
- Tell your child how you felt the day he or she was born.
- Tell a story about your childhood. Children have a great interest in hearing about experiences their parents had at a similar age.
- Use simple props such as a puppet or a stuffed animal to tell a story. Use silly voices for different characters and ask your child to join in.
- Use family photos to tell different stories
- Encourage your child to tell a story about a favorite event, or act it out.

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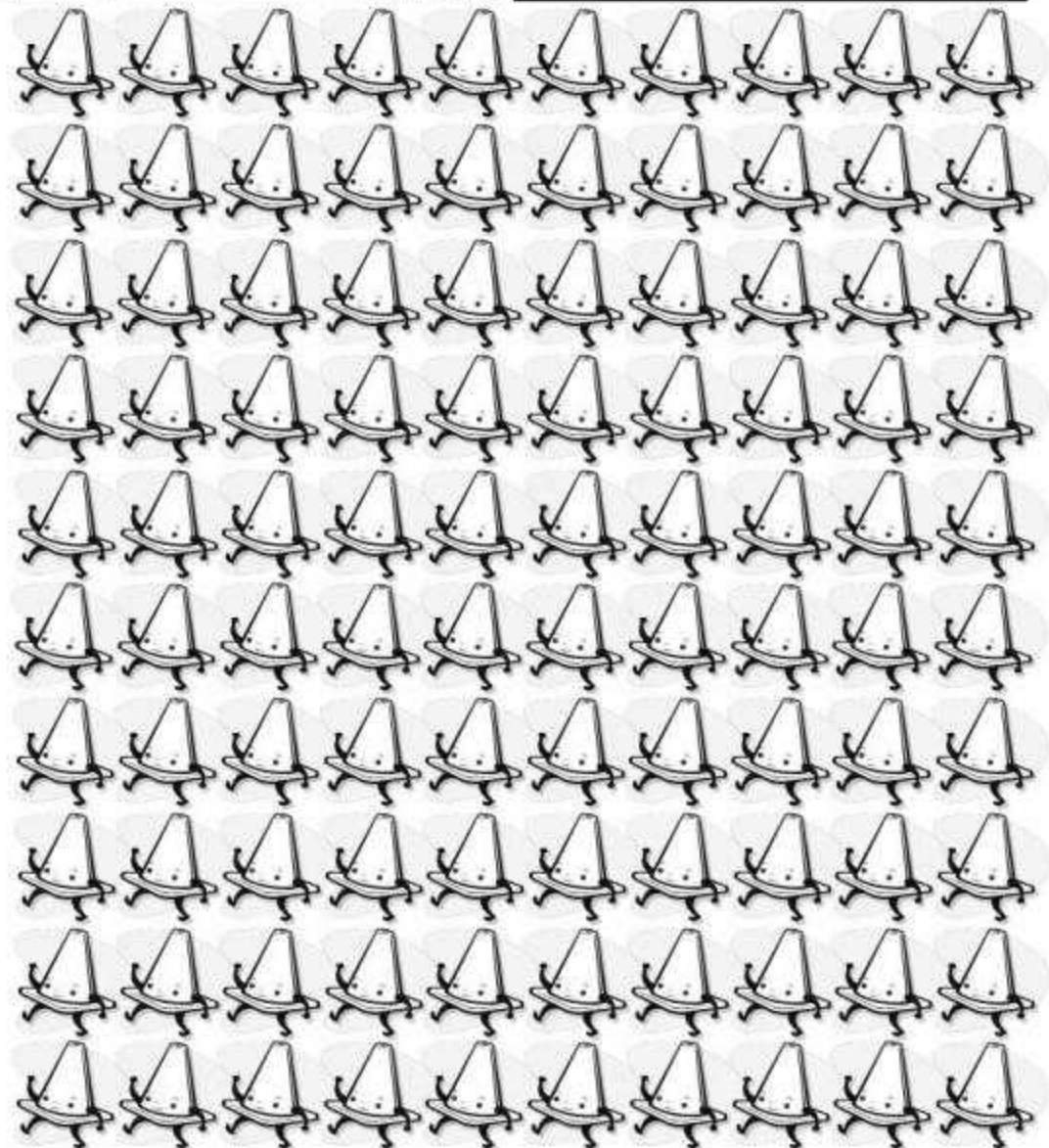


Build a Reader!

Books 801 through 900!

For each ENTIRE book that is read to your child **by anyone**, mark a cone.

Name: _____



Congratulations! You have read 900 books!! Return this page to the Bloomer Public Library for your sticker and next reading sheet and then . . . **Keep reading!**