Introduction: And now, it’s Family Reading Time!

Narrator: Are you looking for a way to help your child become a stronger reader? We know from research that families can support children’s learning by having conversations during book reading.

   Adult: “Is he in the box?”
   Adult: “Baby llama wants a drink; mama’s at the kitchen…”
   Child: Sink.

Narrator: When reading a familiar book try asking your child to complete a word or phrase.

   Older sibling: “I’m beginning to feel that your mama must really be…” Who do you think?
   Younger sibling: “A seal.”
   Older sibling: A seal? Let’s see. “A seal.”

Narrator: This will help your child listen closely to the story and to use their language skills, which will make them stronger readers later on.

Narrator: Family Reading Time Tip: Ask your child to complete a word or phrase during book reading.

Closing: Family Reading Time has been brought to you by the Windham Area Women & Girls Fund and the Center for Early Childhood Education at Eastern Connecticut State University.