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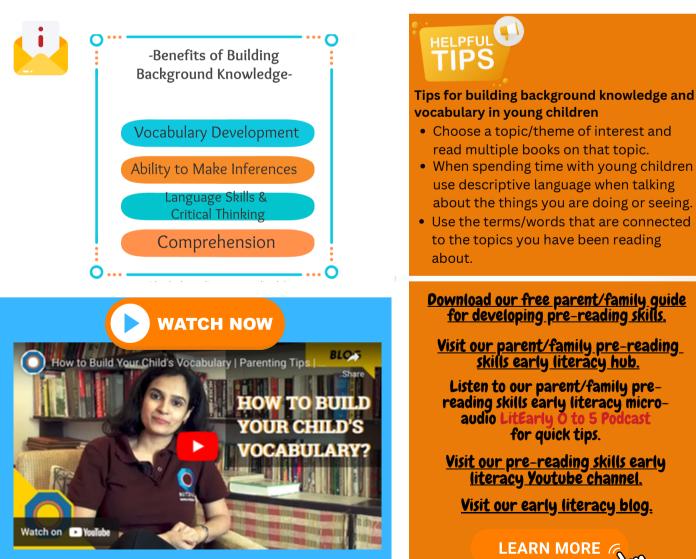
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Comprehension

Background Knowledge and Vocabulary

DID YOU KNOW?

Background knowledge encompasses all the experiences, information, and skills children gain through read-alouds, field trips, activities, discussions, and exposure to the world around them. Though children will continue to build their knowledge and vocabulary throughout their lifetimes, helping them develop in these areas while they are young and before formal schooling begins supports their learning and provides a strong foundation.



Video from NutSpace EdTech

Activate Prior Knowledge

-Find out what kids already know about a topic by asking what comes to their minds when they think about...? Ex. What comes to your mind when you think about dinosaurs?

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-Encourage/help them connect new learning to something they learned before.

Connect Experiences with Vocabulary 3

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If you are cooking together or planting in the garden, use descriptive language. Narrate what you are doing and the tools use are using. If you need an object while cooking, instead of pointing and saying hand that to me, label the object and discuss how you are going to use it. Show them the spatula, tongs or whisk. Tell them what it is and describe what it is used for. Demonstrate how to use it.

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