Tips, Tricks, and Did You Knows?

- **Getting Ready to Read**: Narrative Skills is the ability to describe things and events and to tell stories. Researchers find that this skill helps children to understand what they are reading when they start to read.

- **Preschool Phonological Activity**: Select an activity that has a process, do it together, and explain the steps. For example: “We are going to make spaghetti. First we need to... Next, we will...” and so on.

- **Toddler Reading Activity**: Catch a few minutes throughout the day to read. You might talk about something you did together that is related to a picture in the book. Even though you may not understand everything your toddler says, give him time to talk.

- **Tip**: You can help build narrative skills by talking to your child about or during daily tasks. Ask your child questions; encourage her to speak and listen carefully when she does.

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