

## Appendix G2

### Steps for a “Picture Walk” Before Reading (for Picture Books)

1. Let your child hold the book and turn the pages.
2. Remind your child that he/she will not be reading the words yet.
3. After talking about the cover, have your child turn to the first page of the story. Tell him/her, “I want you to turn to each page and tell me what is happening in the pictures.”
4. Let your child comment on each page. Insert some of your ideas that make sense with the pictures if your child hasn’t commented on the page yet.
5. Every so often, before your child turns the page, ask him/her, “What do you think will happen next?” Ask follow-up questions like “What makes you think that?” or comment, “That makes sense. That might happen!”
6. If it is a non-fiction book and has a glossary in the back, take some time to talk about the pictures/concepts that are laid out in the glossary.

### Steps for a “Picture Walk” Before Reading (for Early Chapter Books)

1. Let your child hold the book and turn the pages.
2. Remind your child that he/she will not be reading the whole book yet.
3. After talking about the cover, have your child look for the table of contents and see if the book has chapter titles. Tell him/her, “I want you to read all the chapter titles and tell me what you think that chapter will be about.” If there are pictures in the chapter book (and perhaps no chapter titles), let your child comment on each one. Say to your child, “Tell me what you think is happening in the pictures.”
4. Let your child comment on each chapter title or on the pictures. Insert some of your ideas that make sense and give your child some new ideas, especially if your child hasn’t commented yet.
5. Every so often, before your child reads a new chapter title or looks at a picture, ask him/her, “What do you think will happen next?” or tell your child to “make a prediction about what that chapter might be about.” Ask follow-up questions like “What makes you think that?” or comment, “That makes sense! That might happen!”
6. If it is a non-fiction chapter book or longer picture book or textbook, take some time to talk about the subject headings, captions on photographs, diagrams or maps, and the glossary.