Repetitive Books & Songs for expanding language

Picking books to read with your young child is almost as important as reading them! Picking books with repetitive texts allows you to work on many language and pre-literacy skills. Sit with your child facing you so your child can watch your face and mouth.

Books with repetitive texts provide a rhythm to speech much like music. They become easily memorized and children know what to expect next. This allows them to begin to use words to finish parts of the books.

Favorite Repetitive Texts:

<u>Goodnight Moon</u> by Margaret Wise Brown <u>Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What do you see?</u> by Bill Martin Jr. & Eric Carle <u>Are You My Mother?</u> by P.D. Eastman <u>Pete the Cat</u> by Eric Litwin <u>The Napping House</u> Audrey & Don Wood

It's okay to read a book over and over again. Use inflection to make your voice interesting. Use hand gestures and facial expressions that exaggerate your meaning.

