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See and Learn Language and Reading is a structured reading scheme designed to support pupils with Down Syndrome and other cognition and learning needs. Words are taught using a sight reading approach, through matching and selecting activities, as well as practising the spoken word. Reading for meaning is introduced through simple books which illustrate the definition of the printed words.

For more information about See and Learn Language and Reading, please follow the link below:

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Tips for Helping at Home

- Let your child take their time when recognising and reading the words try \Diamond not to jump in too soon.
- Model the correct word if your child is unsure this will help them to make \Diamond successful connections between the visual appearance of the word and the way it sounds.
- Make sure you are using clear pronunciation. \Diamond
- Check with your child's teacher which words they are working on it is really \Diamond important not to ask your child to sight read words they have not learnt yet.
- \Diamond Short, repeated practise sessions which focus on success are the most beneficial.
- Multi-sensory activities using the taught words can support retention; for \Diamond example, paint the word, trace the word in salt, write the word on someone's back, make the word with playdough.
- \Diamond If you want to read a story with your child at home (and it is not a book that you have been sent from school), read to your child instead of asking them to read to you. Make this experience exciting and fun!

See and Learn Activities

The book and the word flash cards used for the activities are carefully linked so that your child can practise reading and applying the words in context. eatina

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1. Book Reading	baby
2. Matching Sight Words	"Let's match words. Put [baby] with [baby]."
3. Selecting Sight Words	"Show me [eating]." [child points to word]
4. Reading Sight Words	"What does this say?" [adult points to word]
5. Understanding Sight Words	"Let's put pictures with words. " [match picture to word]
6. Understanding Phrases	"Let's put words with pictures." [match words to picture]