

# Use the newspaper for reading activities



The newspaper is a wonderful resource for reading activities for your entire family. To help your child keep up with current events and have fun at the same time, try the following activities:

- **What's the Story?** Cut out an interesting news story, and cut the paragraphs apart. Have your child read the paragraphs and put them in an order that makes sense to her based on the headline.
- **Fact or Opinion.** Read an editorial with your child. Have her underline all the facts in blue and all the opinions in red. How does she differentiate between fact and opinion?
- **Parts of Speech.** Have your child circle all the adverbs she finds while reading a story. Are there more adverbs in a local news story or a sports article? What about a story in the arts section?



You can also try this with adjectives, proper nouns or other parts of speech.

- **Scavenger Hunt.** Make a list of things for your child to find in the newspaper. For example: an advertisement for a local store, a map, a fraction, and a chart.
- **Comics and puzzles.** Read the comics section of the newspaper. Are there any games or puzzles to complete? Work together to solve one.