

## CONNECT TO THE CLASSROOM

# Read with Enthusiasm Activity

During the Read with Enthusiasm, Toddler #1 video, the teacher used the strategy **connecting actions and feelings** to guide this book reading interaction. Key tips to remember:

- Provide opportunities to label and act out emotions during book reading.
- Match your voice to the experiences and feelings of the character in the book.
- Encourage active participation in acting out the story.

Practice applying the key concepts demonstrated in this activity on your own:

- Read the book.
- Ask **simple questions** throughout the book to help child understand what is happening in the story.
- **Match your voice** to the character's feelings and experiences. This strategy works well to help encourage children to make connections with the characters in the book.

### When you are finished reflect on the following questions:

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What questions did you use to help the child make connections?

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How did you relate the book to experiences with the child's family?

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What words did the child use? How did you use those words to make connections to feelings and actions?

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What could you have done differently to help the child make connections to the character's feelings and actions? Try these next time.

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