

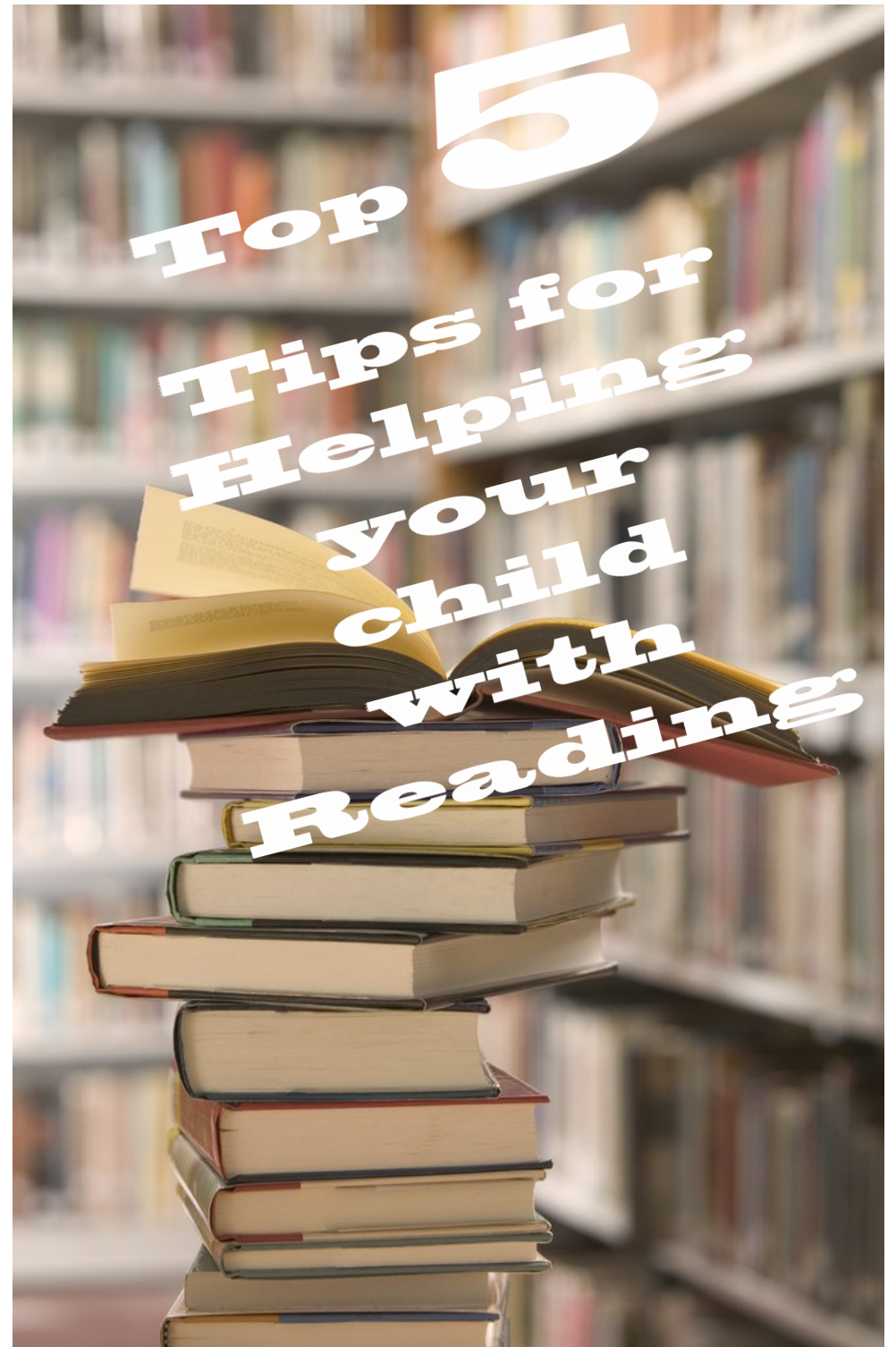
Reading with your child is vital. Research shows that it's the single most important thing you can do to help your child's education. It's best to read little and often, so try to put aside some time for it every day.

Think of ways to make reading fun—you want your child to learn how pleasurable books can be. If you're both enjoying talking about the content of a particular page, linger over it for as long as you like.

Books aren't just about reading the words on the page, they can also present new ideas and topics for you and your child to discuss.



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1. Encourage your child to read each day. Schedule a regular time for reading. Make reading a positive experience

2. Look for books and magazines on topics that you know your child is interested in— maybe History, Sport or Cooking?

3. Encourage your child to visit the local or school library.



4. There is more to being a good reader than just being able to read the words accurately. Just as important is being able to understand what has been read. Always talk to your child about the book; about the pictures, the characters, how they think the story will end, their favourite part. You will then be able to see how well they have understood and you will help them to develop good comprehension skills.

5. Reading doesn't just have to happen in the home.....encourage your child to read the menu in the restaurant, the signs in town or shop windows....