



BOOK TITLE: **Big Sister, Little Sister**
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SUMMARY OF BOOK: This book contains photo illustrations of real life sisters in a variety of adventures in many different settings. This is a rhyming text.

***BEFORE READING** (Ask questions and use what the child already knows to add to the discussion, assisting the child in understanding and enjoying the book):

Try questions such as these:

1. Any time a book is shared aloud, the reader should take a picture walk – a “walk” through the book just looking at the pictures. This is a chance for the child to get a sneak peek at what is in store for her. Before opening the book show the child the cover and read the title. Ask her

what she thinks the book will be about, based only on what she sees. Then slowly flip through the book, page by page, without reading a single word.

2. Ask questions about each picture she sees: “What is going on here?” “Who is this?” “Why do they look excited?” “Where do you think they are?”

DURING READING (ask these questions):

1. Some questions can start discussions related to your child’s experience: How does your big/little sister help you?

2. How do you help your big/little sister?

3. What does this remind you of?

AFTER READING (activity to extend book experience):

1. Some of the pictures in the book may make personal connections for your child. After the reading is a good time to review these connections – talking in greater detail than during reading.

2. Have your child go back through the book and find one or two activities she could do with you, a sibling, or a friend.

3. Brainstorm ways the child could help others like the sisters helped each other in the book. A list could be made, and each time the child completes one, a star could be drawn next to it. Once all of the items are completed, a small reward could be given (such as an extra story at bedtime)

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