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Help your child learn to listen and concentrate as you read the story out loud, then retell it in his or her own words. Re-read the story if necessary. The activities on this page test your child’s comprehension and understanding of the story.

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