Fun ideas to encourage good reading habits

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1. Show your teenager that it is as much fun to read a book as it is to watch TV or play on the computer.
2. Create a quiet, well-lit space in your home to encourage reading.
3. Make sure that your home contains books that will interest your teenager.
4. Encourage your teenager to read magazines, newspapers or the sports guide. Leave them around your home. It doesn’t really matter what your child reads as long as they read!
5. Subscribe to a magazine that your teenager has an interest in.
6. Share articles you’ve read from the newspaper or a magazine, especially if it’s something your teenager is interested in. Sunday supplements are particularly good.
7. Play audio books in the car. This will encourage reading for enjoyment.
8. Recommend adult-themed books that would be appropriate.
9. Link books and reading to films at the cinema or video games they know.
10. Introduce books which are part of a series, and biographies.
11. Ask teenagers to recommend books for younger readers in the family.
12. Make use of e-books and e-book readers such as Kindles.

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