



Dear Parent/Caregiver

Language development is key to meaningful learning. To achieve language proficiency learners should inculcate a reading culture both at home and at school. In the process of reading learners acquire new vocabulary which they can understand and use on a daily basis.

One strategy that can be used is the **PATS** strategy:

P- Point at an object picture

A- Act it out if it is a verb

T – Tell learners the meaning of the word

S – Say the word in a sentence

In this activity, allow learners to:

-**Choose and read** a text of their choice preferably a **scientific text**

-Carefully **Select** words or phrases learners are unlikely to know.

-**Write** down the words

- Use the **PATS** system to derive and attach meaning to each word

-Allow learners to use the new words as frequently as possible

Have a wonderful and restful week.

Thank you

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