Dear Family,

Your child is learning to add to the number of words he or she knows through reading.

1. Think about something you read at home or in school.
2. What did you do when you came to a word you didn’t know?

- Did you sound it out to see if you knew part of it? ______
- Did you notice parts of the word that were like other words you know? __________
- Did you ask help from a grown-up? __________
- Did you use the other words in the sentence to help you? __________
- Did you use a dictionary? __________
- Which way worked best for you?

3. How do you make sense of what you’re reading when there are words you don’t know?

4. Reread a book or story that had words you didn’t know when you read it the first time.
5. Why is it easier to read the words the second time?

Child’s signature__________________________________________________________

Parent’s (Learning Partner’s) signature ________________________________