



## CHAPTER 9

# What to do When Your Child Doesn't Want to Read / Mon enfant ne veut pas lire! Quoi faire?

Remember, there are many things a child can read besides a chapter book.



### Provide a variety of reading materials:

- comics and joke books /  
bandes dessinées  
et blagues
- instruction manuals /  
manuels d'utilisation
- menus and recipes /  
menus et recettes
- song lyrics /  
paroles de chansons
- brochures, flyers /  
dépliants, pamphlets
- signs /  
babillards d'annonces
- cereal boxes /  
boîtes de céréales
- emails, web pages,  
blogs /  
courriels, pages webs,  
blogs
- letters / lettres
- magazines / revues

### Spend more time reading to your reluctant reader.

- Read with passion and enthusiasm
- Replace a character's name with your child's name

### Get caught reading.

- Be a role model and sit down to read your own book
- Talk to your child about what you are reading  
and why you are reading it

### Use humour.

- Reluctant readers often respond well to humour  
at their level

### Introduce series books.

- They often have predictable stories and characters  
which builds confidence in reluctant readers

### Visit the library.

### Order your child a magazine subscription about a topic of interest.

- A magazine becomes a personal invitation to read  
when your child's name is on the mailing label

### Encourage family/friends to give their favourite books as gifts.