Echo Reading

What is echo reading?

Echo reading is a rereading strategy designed to help students develop expressive, fluent reading. In echo reading, the parent reads a short segment of text (sentence or phrase), and the student echoes back the same sentence or phrase mimicking the same expression while following along in the text.

How do I echo read with my student?

When you are echo reading with a student, your support ensures that the student is successfully reading a manageable segment of text. You are also providing a model for fluent, expressive reading. Start by reading one sentence and having the student echo the same sentence back to you. Then as this becomes more natural, you can have the student echo larger sections of text at a time. The key in echo reading is to model a good example for your student. Make sure you are using good fluency and expression as you model, and your student will do the same as they echo.