

Figure 3.5 Parents helping young children at home

Helping your child at home

When walking or on public transport

- Point out and read signs
- Talk about timetables
- Read shop signs
- Point out bus stops
- Use a street directory or digital maps
- Play 'I spy with my little eye'

When out shopping

- Talk about what to buy
- Point out the names of products
- Show and talk about various brand names
- Examine catalogues together, compare items and prices
- Cross off items on a list
- Read some of the product ingredients

At home

- Make shopping lists together
- Check recipes for ingredients
- Use removable labels or a blackboard to leave notes
- Read television guides
- Read favourite books together
- Read recipes aloud
- Make photograph albums with titles and captions
- Play computer and board games together
- Email friends and family together