The CAFE Menu for Emergent Readers

Comprehension I listen to and understand stories that are read to me	Accuracy I hear, work, and play with spoken language	Fluency I know letters, sounds, and words	Expand Vocabulary I am aware of print and how to handle a book
 Strategies Listen with understanding Retell familiar stories using the pictures Tell a connected story using pictures Retell story, including story line – characters; setting, problem, or goal events, sequencing beginning, middle, end Respond to questions about the story 	StrategiesRecognize when two words rhymeProduce rhyming wordsOrally blend words presented in syllable segmentsClap words in a sentenceClap syllables in one to three segmentsBlend onset and rimeOrally match words that begin with the same soundOrally match words that end with the same soundIdentify the first sound in a wordBlend two sounds to make a wordBlend three sounds to make a word	Strategies Recognize uppercase letters Recognize lowercase letters Recognize sight words	Strategies Identify front and back of book Know where to begin reading Know to start reading at the top of a page Know sentences and words are read left to right When finished with left page, move on to right page Know return sweep when reading a sentence Word-by-word matching Understand concept of a word Understand concept of a letter Know there are spaces between words Know the meaning of a period
Behaviors That Support Reading Get started right away Stay in one spot Work quietly Read the whole time Increase stamina			

