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When our oldest daughter was three, I began reading up on homeschooling. For the next two years I read and sent off for any information that was available. By the time we were ready to begin our first year, I felt like quite an expert on the subject.

So why was I so surprised yesterday when Bailey picked up a book and began to read it? Raymond Moore and Ruth Beechick had both warned me in their books that this might happen!

I couldn't believe my eyes or ears. Surely she had heard me read it to her little sister before. But no! We had just gotten this one from the library the day before. I gave her another book that I knew she had never heard before. Wow! It was true. She was reading. Of course, she didn't know all the words, but she was trying to sound out those she didn't know.

And to think -- I taught her to do it! The whole family was surprised, but nobody was as surprised as I was. Somehow, deep down inside maybe I didn't really think I was capable of such an accomplishment. Praise God for this little taste of success, which not only has boosted my confidence but also has helped me to remember: "I can do all things through Him Who strengthens me."