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How to make up a story with a child:

1.) *Telling a fairy tale together with the child:*

The parent as the narrator and the child completes the story.

The parent starts the conversation:

1. Where it was, there it was, in the middle of a dense forest, on a high rock stood a beautiful white castle. Imagine that you are in this mysterious castle right now.

The child's task is to continue following the parent's narration. The parent writes down the child's statements.

- 3. Tell what you saw there...
- 4. Tell what miraculous objects the castle hid...
- 5. Talk about with whom you met...
- 6. Talk about what you experienced there....

Build a castle together from blocks, where there will be towers for the princesses. Play a theater based on the themes of your fairy tale.

2.) *Story cubes*: the parent tells a story to smaller children according to the cubes, for older children they can be added.

3.) The child is the storyteller and the parent develops the story. The child can enter the plot at any time and say what he would like. The parent asks: "Try to tell me about whom I will tell you a fairy tale." And who else could appear in that fairy tale? And what will they do together? Where will they go? etc.