Books to Share with Your Baby

Atinuke. *B IS FOR BABY*

Boynton, Sandra. *SILLY LULLABY*

Doerrfeld, Cori. *WILD BABY*

Godwin, Jane. *BABY DAY*

Knisley, Lucy. *YOU ARE NEW*

Hunter, Anne. *WHERE’S BABY*

Murray, Diana. *FIVE FUZZY CHICKS*

Classic Titles

Hill, Eric. *WHERE’S SPOT?*

Hills, Tad. *DUCK & GOOSE*

McBratney, Sam. *GUESS HOW MUCH I LOVE YOU*

Tips For Baby

**Talk**
- Your touch and voice help your baby learn. Listen to the fun sounds your baby makes and repeat them back. Cooing and baby language are the first steps in talking.
- Talk to your baby continually during the day.

**Read**
- Read to your baby every day in the language you are most comfortable with.
- Point to pictures in books and describe what you are seeing.
- Pick books from this list or ask your librarian for suggestions.

**Sing**
- Singing helps comfort and soothe your baby. It strengthens the bond with your baby.
- Sing silly songs while changing baby’s diaper or feeding your baby. Describe what you are doing in song!

**Play**
- Play simple games like peek-a-boo and open-shut-them with your baby.
- Use toys that focus your baby’s attention such as soft puppets and stuffed animals.
- Make everyday routines playful.
Books to Share with Your Toddler

Alexander, Lori. **FUTURE ASTRONAUT**

Cabrera, Jane. **ROW, ROW, ROW YOUR BOAT**

Cousins, Lucy. **SPLISH, SPLASH, DUCKY!**

Gee, Kimberly. **GLAD, GLAD BEAR!**

Gomi, Taro. **LITTLE BOAT**

Murray, Diana. **FIVE FUZZY CHICKS**

Orozvo, Jose-Luis. **SING WITH ME=CANTA CONMIGO**

Puck. **LIBRARY BABIES**

Shiefman, Vicky. **WHO HAS WIGGLE WAGGLE TOES**

**Classic Titles**

Carle, Eric. **THE VERY BUSY SPIDER**

Dewdney, Anna. **LLAMA LLAMA RED PAJAMA**

Rathmann, Peggy. **GOOD NIGHT, GORILLA**

Shaw, Nancy. **SHEEP IN A JEEP**

Tips For Toddlers

**Talk**
- Talk about what you see during your daily activities and surroundings.
- Take your child to the grocery store and talk about what you are seeing and buying.
- Ask your child simple questions that they can answer.

**Read**
- Read together every day.
- Point to pictures in books. Ask your toddler what they see.
- Let your little one turn the pages or hold the book if they are able to.

**Sing**
- Singing slows down language so children can hear the different sounds that make up words.
- Clap along to the rhythms in songs so they can hear the syllables in words.
- Act out songs like Itsy Bitsy Spider with your fingers and hands. This helps your child learn how to use their hands—a skill they need to write.

**Play**
- Make time to explore and experiment every day. Let them stack plastic measuring cups, pour and dump water in the tub, dig in sand and climb in and out of a cardboard box.
- Let them straddle simple riding toys they can move by using their feet. Blow bubbles that they can chase and pop.
- Encourage pretend play. This helps them explore aspects of everyday life and stretch their imagination about what other people might do and feel.