

## \* Diversity \*

To build a positive sense of self, children need to see themselves, their families, and their cultural traditions in the books we read to them.

### *Global Baby Bedtimes*

by Maya Ajmera

### *Mama, Do You Love Me?*

by Barbara M. Joosse

### *Hello, World!*

by Nancy Kubo

### *My Face*

(E MY)

### *Ten Tiny Babies*

by Karen Katz

### *Hola! Jalapeno*

by Amy Wilson Sanger

### *I Know A Lot*

by Stephen Krensky

### *More, More, More*

by Vera B. Williams

## \* Nursery Rhymes \*

Nursery rhymes are important for young children because they help your child develop an ear for the cadence and rhythm of language.

### *Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star* *Humpty Dumpty*

by Caroline Church

by Anthony Lewis

### *Pat-a-Cake*

By Heather Collins

### *Humpty Dumpty & Other*

*Rhymes* by Iona Opie

### *Itsy-Bitsy Spider*

by Annie Kubler

### *Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star*

*and Other Favorite Bedtime*

*Rhymes* by Sanja Rescek

### *My First Real Mother Goose*

by Blanche Fisher Wright



Bee a reader with your baby!

## \* Stories to Share \*

There are so many wonderful stories to share with babies. Here are a few to get you started.

### *I Love You Good Night*

by Jon Buller

### *Where is Baby's Belly Button*

by Karen Katz

### *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*

by Eric Carle

### *The Little Train*

by Lois Lenski

### *Mommy Snuggles*

by Anne Gutman

### *Will Bear Share?*

by Hilary Leung

### *Blue Boat*

by Kersten Hamilton

### *Bedtime Snuggles*

by Patricia Reeder Eubank

### *Hide and Seek Harry*

by Kenny Harrison

### *Mouse's First Fall*

by Lauren Thompson



# Good Books for Babies



\*All items can be found in the Board Book Cube with a call number E and the first 3 letters of the author's last name

## \* Baby Faces \*

Babies naturally find faces interesting. You will find that your child will pay attention to human faces longer than anything else.

### *Baby Faces*

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### *Baby Faces*

by Margaret Miller

### *Baby ABC*

by Deborah Donenfeld

### *American Babies*

E AME

### *Hello Baby: Faces*

by Roger Priddy

### *All About Me!*

by Dawn Sirett

## \* Books with Playful Language \*

When you read aloud books with funny words you encourage young listeners to play with the sounds of language, too. This form of play helps develop language and listening skills.

### *Dinosaur Dance!*

by Sandra Boynton

### *Tip Tip Dig Dig*

by Emma Garcia

### *Farmyard Beat*

by Lindsey Craig

### *Babies on the Bus*

by Karen Katz

### *Zoom! Beep! Vroom!*

By Josh Cleland

### *Trains Go*

by Steve Light

### *Llama Llama Zippity*

by Anna Dewdney

### *Mr. Brown Can Moo!*

by Dr. Seuss

## \* Sing & Rhyme \*

Singing and rhyming books with their repetition and cadence are soothing for babies. As you read, your child's brain is mapping the sounds to the syllables that make up words. This is a skill necessary for learning to read later on.

### *Moo Baa La La La*

by Sandra Boynton

### *Five Little Ducks*

by Penny Ives

### *Five Green and Speckled Frogs*

by Priscilla Burris

### *If You're Happy & You*

by Annie Kubler

### *The Itsy Bitsy....*

by Jeffrey Burton

### *Chicka Chicka Boom*

by Bill Martin Jr.

### *We Love to Sing Along!*

by Caroline Church

### *Wheels on the Bus*

by Raffi

### *Row Row Row Your Boat*

by Heather Collins

### *Old MacDonald*

by Rosemary Wells

## \* Books with Sharp Color Contrasts \*

Color vision is not well developed at birth. This is why books with high-contrast pictures are the best choice to engage their vision.

### BLACK-AND-WHITE BOOKS

#### *Black and White*

by Tana Hoban

#### *Stanley's Colors*

by William Bee

#### *Hello, Ocean Friends*

by Violet Lemay

#### *Goodnight Moon*

by Margaret Wise Brown

#### *Look Look Outside!*

by Peter Linenthal

#### *Hooray for Fish!*

by Lucy Cousins

#### *I Kissed the Baby!*

by Mary Murphy

#### *Tap Tap Bang Bang*

by Emma Garcia

#### *Hello Baby: On the Go*

by Roger Priddy

#### *Brown Bear, Brown Bear*

by Bill Martin Jr.

#### *Hello, Bugs!*

by Smriti Prasadam

#### *Slow Snail*

by Mary Murphy

### BOOKS WITH BRIGHT COLORS

#### *My House*

by Byron Barton

#### *Toot Toot Beep Beep*

by Emma Garcia

## \* Interactive Books \*

As soon as they are able, young children are "hands-on" learners. Using books that they can rattle, touch, feel, lift the flaps and explore not only engages their senses, but also adds interest.

#### *Dear Zoo*

by Rod Campbell

#### *Daddy and Me*

Karen Katz

#### *Peek-a-Choo*

by Marie Cimarusti

#### *Peek-a-Who*

by Nina Laden

#### *Bathtime*

by Andy Crawford

#### *Touch and Feel Tractor*

E TOU

#### *Cuddly Animals*

by Charlie Gardner

#### *Welcome Summer or Winter*

by Nancy Davis

#### *In My Den or On My Beach*

by Sara Gillingham

#### *Hello Baby*

by Roger Priddy

#### *Just Like Mommy*

by Cecilia Johansson

#### *Have You Ever Ticked a Tiger?*

by Betsy Snyder

## \* Point-and-Say Books \*

Infants are most interested in pictures of familiar things. Picture books that pair a picture of a single object with a word help children to learn new vocabulary and develop print awareness.

### *First Words*

by Nick Ackland

### *Hello Baby: Animals & Words*

by Roger Priddy

### *Baby's Favorite Things*

E BAB

### *My First Words at Home*

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### *My Fridge*

by Margie and Jimbo

### *Trucks, Trucks, Trucks*

by Peter Sis

### *First 100 Words*

by Roger Priddy

### *Finding First Words*

by Libby Walden

## \* Easy Concepts \*

Concept books are instructional books that help children start to label and identify their world.

### *Cleo's Alphabet Book*

by Stella Blackstone

### *Roar: Dinosaur Counting*

by Stuart Lynch

### *Freight Train*

by Donald Crews

### *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom*

by Bill Martin Jr.

### *Baby Loves Shapes*

E BAB

### *Shapes*

by John J. Reiss

### *My First Book of Patterns*

by Bobby & June George

### *Colors with Ladybug*

by Dawn Sirett

### *Black Bird Yellow Sun*

by Steve Light

### *Touch and Feel 123*

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## \* Everyday Routines \*

Here is a list of stories featuring the daily routines of babies.

### *The Going to Bed Book*

by Sandra Boynton

### *Beddy-Bye, Baby*

by Karen Katz

### *Let's Get Dressed*

by Caroline Church

### *Look at Baby's House!*

by Peter Linenthal

### *Llama Llama Series*

by Anna Dewdney

### *Brush, Brush, Brush!*

by Alicia Pardon

### *Go Baby Go*

by Marilyn Janovitz

### *Mealtime*

by Elizabeth Verdick