READING TO NEWBORNS AND INFANTS

Research shows that it is never too early to start reading to a newborn. Children 0 to 11 months of age may not understand the meaning of the words being said, but they still benefit tremendously from the reading experience. Babies love to be cuddled on your lap, held securely, while listening to your voice as you read, chant or sing the words from a book. Choose books with rhythm, rhyme, and simple, clear illustrations. (Babies this age can best see objects that are 8-14 inches away.) Exposure to the rhythm, rhyme and sounds of language will help your child's vocabulary grow and make it easier for him to learn to read.

According to the Public Library Association, "Research has found that parents who start sharing books with their babies early on have children with better language skills. In addition, children whose parents begin sharing books with them early in life develop a greater interest in and enjoyment of books."

TIPS FOR READING TO 0 TO 11 MONTH-OLDS

- Pick a time when you and your baby are relaxed and in a good mood.
- Choose primarily board books so that he can touch and manipulate them without tearing or damage.
- Put a lot of expression in your voice as you read. Let him sense your enthusiasm.
- Choose books with uncluttered, simple, brightly colored artwork.
- Babies enjoy looking at pictures of other babies and simple, everyday objects. You can point at these objects and say their names.
- Read everyday and let your child see you reading too.
- Most of all make it a fun, cozy time with your infant!



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GOOD BOOKS FOR BABIES (0-11 MONTH OLDS)



BOOKS

Baby! Baby!J/E/Cee (board book)
Baby PlayJ/E/Sesame Street (board book)
Baby's DayJ/E/Bla (board book)
Black on WhiteJ/E/Hob (board book)
Global Babies(J/E/Glo) (board book)
Where's the Baby?/Donde Esta El Bebe?(J/E/Chr) (board book)
Happy Birthday!(J/E/Ste) (board book)
Look at Baby's House!(J/E/Lin) (board book)
This Little Piggy(J/E/Kub) (board book)
Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes(J/E/Kub) (board book)
Hey Diddle Diddle!(J/E/Kub) (board book)
Out to Play(J/E/Bla) (board book)



MUSIC

Baby Bach by Baby Einstein(J/CD/783/Bac)
Baby Dance: A Toddler's Jump on the Classics(J/CD/783/Bab)
Bach for My Baby(J/CD/783/Bac)
Palmer, HapGetting to Know Myself (J/CD/372.5/Pal)
Baby Einstein Meet the Orchestra (J/CD/783/Bab)
Stewart, GeorgianaNursery Rhyme Time: Songs, Rhymes and Movement Activities (J/CD/372.5/Ste)
The Playtime Album(J/CD/783/Pla)
Palmer, HapRhythms on Parade (J/CD/372.5/Pal)
Paby Einstein Traveling Melodies (1/CD/782/Pab)

Baby Einstein...**Traveling Melodies**(J/CD/783/Bab)

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BOOKS FOR PARENTS OF BABIES

Acredolo, Linda Ph.D.....Baby Signs: How to Talk with Your Baby Before Your Baby Can Talk (J/PT/649.122Acr)

Delacre , Lulu.....Arrorro, Mi Nino: Latino Lullabies and Gentle Games (J/468/Arr)

Fox , Mem.....**Reading Magic** (J/PT/649.58/Fox)

Karmiloff, Kyra.....**Everything Your Baby Would Ask...If Only He or She Could Talk** (J/PT/649.122/Kar)

Masi, Dr. Wendy.....Baby Play: 100 Fun-filled Activities to Maximize Your Baby's Potential (J/PT/649.5/Bab)

Odean, Kathleen.....Great Books for Babies and Toddlers (J/PT/028.162/Ode)

Wilner, Isabel.....**The Baby's Game Book** (J/PT/649.5/Wil)

Zukow, Bud M.D.....Baby: An Owner's Manual (J/PT/649.122/Zuk)



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