



0 TO 6 MONTHS

Board books with large photographic images of baby faces. Text has few words.

- Smile! (Baby Faces Board Book) by Roberta Grobel Intrater
- Baby Faces by Dorling Kindersley
- Baby Faces (Look Baby! Books) by Margaret Miller

6 TO 12 MONTHS

Board books with photographic images of babies along with familiar objects such as clothing, food, pets, outdoor and household items. Text has labels or simple phrases.

- Peek-a-Boo! (Baby Faces Board Book) by Roberta Grobel Intrater
- All about Me! by Dorling Kindersley
- Baby Talk by DK Publishing
- Touch and Feel: ABC by DK Publishing
- Happy Baby 123 by Roger Priddy

12 TO 24 MONTHS

Board books with photographic images or simple, colorful illustrations. Text is descriptions or simple stories that rhyme.

- Animals: Animaux (Bright Baby) by Roger Priddy
- My First Number Board Book by DK
- My First Body Board Book by DK
- Baby Touch and Feel Animals by Dorling Kindersley
- Dinosaur Roar! By Paul & Henrietta Stickland
- Can You Find Colors? (Rookie Toddler) by Scholastic, Inc.
- 5 Busy Ducklings (Rookie Toddler) by Children's Press
- From Head to Toe by Eric Carle

2 TO 3 YEARS

Board or paper books with photographic images or simple, colorful illustrations. Text has basic vocabulary and short sentences, especially rhyming.

- Hop on Pop by Dr. Seuss
- The Nose Book by Al Perkins and Joe Mathieu
- The Alphabet Book by P. D. Eastman
- Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? by Bill Martin Jr. and Eric Carle
- Fifteen Animals by Sandra Boynton
- The Going to Bed Book by Sandra Boynton
- My Truck Is Stuck by Kevin Lewis and Daniel Krik
- The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle
- The Wheels on the Bus by Paul O. Zelinsky

3 TO 4 YEARS

Paper books with complex illustrations that may include multiple figures and a rich background. Text uses both basic and more advanced words not commonly heard in everyday language, and it may feature dialogue, long sentences and rhyming.

- Animal Strike at the Zoo. It's True! by Karma Wilson
- Bear Snores On by Karma Wilson
- Little Blue Truck by Alice Schertle
- The Ugly Duckling by Hans Christian Andersen (Jerry Pinkney illustrations)
- The Little Engine that Could by Watty Piper
- The Little Red Hen folk tale retold by various
- How Do Dinosaurs Count to Ten? by Jane Yolen
- Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Seuss
- Dr. Seuss's ABC: An Amazing Alphabet Book! by Dr. Seuss

4 TO 5 YEARS

Paper books on a wide variety of subjects and styles of illustration. Text includes advanced and varied vocabulary, may have complex sentences and dialogue, and stories may reflect situations that children experience in their own lives.

- All the World by Liz Garton Scanlon
- Giraffes Can't Dance by Giles Andreae and Guy Parker-Rees
- Animalia by Graeme Base
- Horton Hears a Who! By Dr. Seuss
- Oh, the Places You'll Go! By Dr. Seuss
- The Emperor's New Clothes by Hans Christian Andersen (Virginia Lee Burton illustrations)
- The Classic Treasury of Aesop's Fables by Don Daily
- Explore My World Series by Penguin Random House (19 titles include Tigers, Butterflies, Honey Bees, Clouds, Planets, etc.)
- Children Just Like Me: Celebrations! by Anabel Kindersley & Barnabas Kindersley

ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

- High quality illustrations are essential – if you like the pictures, the child will too.
- Even children who can't sit still will enjoy hearing you read aloud while they play.
- Experiment with reading aloud from a book that is at a higher developmental level than the child's age – you may be surprised how much the child enjoys hearing the sound of your voice and following along with the story.