



Read Aloud To Your Preschooler

It's the most important 20 minutes of your day!

Reading With Your Baby

- Look at a book cover and ask what the story might be about. Read the title and author.
- Read slowly and with a lot of expression. Ham it up! Change your voice and volume.
- Allow plenty of time to look at the pictures.
- Occasionally ask why, what, and how questions.
- Pause to discuss characters and events.
- Point out familiar letters and sounds, such as letters in child's name.
- Use books with predictable patterns and repeated phrasing that your child can "read" with you.
- Expect to re-read favorite books again and again.
- If your child memorizes parts of a book, celebrate! That's a step on the road to learning how to read.
- Put books where your child is...on the breakfast table, bathroom, bedside, and car.
- Just 20 minutes a day helps your child develop a lifelong love of reading!
- Have fun!

Books Babies Enjoy

- *Rain, Rain, Rain Forest* by Brenda Z. Guiberson
- *Jamberry* by Bruce Degen
- *The Dinosaur Alphabet Book* by Jerry Pallotta
- *The Three Bears* by Paul Galdone
- *Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf* by Lois Ehlert
- *The Random House Book of Poetry For Children* by Jack Prelutsky
- *Ducks On A Bike* by David Shannon



- *It Looked Like Split Milk* by Charles G. Shaw
- *The Tale of Peter Rabbit* by Beatrix Potter
- *Sylvester And The Magic Pebble* by William Strig
- *Lyle, Lyle Crocodile* by Bernard Waber
- *Mouse Paint* by Ellen Soll Walsh
- *Flower Garden* by Eve Bunting
- *Abuela* by Arthur Dorros
- *My Map Book* by Sara Fanelli
- *The Wide Mouthed Frog* by Keith Faulkner
- *Corduroy* by Don Freeman
- *The Big Trip* by Valerie Gorbachev
- *Jamaica and Brianna* by Juanita Havill
- *The Doorbell Rang* by Pat Hutchins
- *How a Seed Grows* by Helene J. Jordan
- *Tuesday* by David Wiesner