

## 0 TO 24 MONTHS

Getting your child ready to read is very important, and not to mention FUN! Here are four skills that will help prepare your babies to become readers.

### TALK TOGETHER

Whether or not children can say words, they like listening to others and joining in with their own sounds. Read a book, talk about what you are doing, or even imitate the sounds your baby is making. Anything that encourages conversation!

### SING TOGETHER

Rhymes and songs are great ways for babies to learn. Repetition and rhythm help babies learn different sounds of language. We have many musical CDs and rhyming books in our collection.

### READ TOGETHER

Even though your baby might not understand the story - reading a book, pointing out the pictures, and letting your little one interact throughout is one of the most important things you can do teach language.

### PLAY TOGETHER

Babies learn language by interacting with others. Take time to play every day and don't forget to visit the library for story time programs!

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## BOARD BOOKS TO TRY:

**Adams, Jennifer**  
*BabyLit Classics (series)*

**Dodd, Emma**  
*Always (Love You series)*

**Global Baby Fund**  
*Global Baby (series)*

**Siminovich, Lorena**  
*You Are My Baby (series)*

**Wang, Jack**  
*Cozy Classics (series)*

## BOOKS TO TRY:

**Dewdney, Anna**  
*Llama Llama (series)*

**Fleming, Denise**  
*Barnyard Banter*

**Fox, Mem**  
*Hello Baby!*

**McPhail, David**  
*My Mother Goose*

**Miller, Margaret**  
*Baby Faces*

**Murphy, Mary**  
*I Kissed the Baby*

**Oxenbury, Helen**  
*Clap Hands*

**Williams, Sue**  
*I Went Walking*



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