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Books for Toddlers
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### LITERACY FOR 2-3 YEAR-OLDS

Toddlers are very busy (they have so much to learn and do!) and it can seem hard to get them to sit still for stories. Here are some tips for reading with your little ones:

#### TIMING

Try to find times when they seem most receptive – possibly after lunch, after a bath, or before they fall asleep.

#### INCLUSION

Make sure to include them in the story. Ask lots of questions and give them time to answer.

#### INTERACTION

Let your children turn the pages, point at pictures and mimic movements in the book – it is okay if they don't sit the entire time.

#### GUIDING

Don't worry about reading all the words – most toddler books don't have plots anyway!

#### ENJOYMENT

Toddlers like books with rhymes and familiar items, routines, and simple words.

#### REPETITION

Read their favorite stories again and again and again!

### BOOKS TO TRY

**Barrager, Brigette**
*Welcome Flower Child*

Each child is a different type of flower; this is a book that reveals the meaning of birth flowers for babies born each month of the year.

**Chapman, Jared.**
*Vegetables in Underwear*

Illustrations and brief text reveal the wide variety of unmentionables sported by vegetables!

**Cooper, Elisha**
*8: An Animal Alphabet*

In this counting alphabet book, readers learn about animals familiar and exotic.

**Dahl, Michael**
*Little Dinos Don’t Bite*

Dino learns that he should not bite--except for food, of course.

**Dennis, Kathryn**
*Snakes on a Train*

A funny picture book full of sibilant sounds and other word play where friendly snakes slither and hiss on their train ride.

**Hunter, Anne**
*Where’s the Baby? (Geisel Honor book)*

Papa Fox is looking for Baby Fox, who is just out of his sight ... but not ours! An adorable, interactive read-aloud for fans of Are You My Mother.

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**Isadora, Rachel**
*I Hear a Pickle (and Smell, See, Touch, and Taste It, Too!)*

A group of children describe many things in their world using their senses.

**Medina, Juana**
*1 Big Salad*

A counting book, that counts from 1 to 10 and ends with a big salad.

**Read, Kate**
*One Fox: A Thrilling Counting Book*

An illustrated counting book in which one famished fox finds five snug eggs but must face three plump hens to get them.

**Stutzman, Jonathan**
*Tiny T. Rex and the Impossible Hug*

When Tiny T. Rex wants to cheer up his friend with a hug, his arms remain too small for proper hugging--but he is determined to practice, even when he gets into trouble.

**Tullet, Hervé**
*Let’s Play*

Play your way through this interactive and humorous book!

**Wong, Liz**
*The Goose Egg*

Henrietta’s serene life is disrupted when a baby goose comes to stay, but after Goose finally leaves, Henrietta no longer enjoys the quiet.