



BOOKS TO LOVE AND SHARE

FOR AGES 0-3 YEARS

This is a great age to help your child build their language and literacy by exploring and playing with books! When picking out a book for your baby or toddler, look for books that have bright colours and pictures, along with textures, songs and an easy story-line. The books below have great pictures and easy text. They can help you teach your child to listen, speak, and have fun with books.

- Blue Hat, Green Hat, Moo Baa Laa Laa*** by Sandra Boynton ***Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?*** by Bill Martin
- Dear Zoo*** by Rod Campbell ***Good Night Gorilla*** by Peggy Rathmann
- The Very Hungry Caterpillar*** by Eric Carle ***The Wheels on the Bus*** by Jenny Tulip
- Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed*** by Eileen Christelow ***That's Not My Puppy*** by Fiona Watt
- Good Dog, Carl*** by Alexandra Day ***Big Red Barn, Goodnight Moon, The Runaway Bunny*** by Margaret Wise Brown
- Where's Spot?*** by Eric Hill ***Counting Kisses: A Kiss & Read Book*** by Karen Katz

FOR AGES 3-6 YEARS

Books for this age group provide children with the opportunity to build their vocabulary, early literacy skills and imagination. When picking out a book for your preschool or early school-aged child, look for books that have fun and predictable stories, talk about new concepts and themes (i.e. shapes, colours, feelings, animals), and include make-believe characters. Parents and children can share the fun adventures and language in these interesting books:

- The Mitten*** by Jan Brett ***Froggy Goes to School*** by Jonathan London
- Click, Clack, Moo*** by Doreen Cronin ***Chicka Chicka Boom Boom*** by Bill Martin Jr. and John Archambault
- The Gruffalo & Room on the Broom*** by Julia Donaldson ***If You Give Mouse a Cookie*** by Laura Numeroff
- Go Away Big Green Monster*** by Ed Emberley ***Sheep in a Jeep*** by Nancy Shaw
- The Balloon Tree*** by Phoebe Gilman ***Dinosaur Roar!*** by Paul & Henrietta Strickland
- Esther's Rainbow*** by Kim Kane



BOOKS TO LOVE AND SHARE: PART 2

FOR AGES 6-9 YEARS

Children by this age are starting to use books to learn about the world around them, and enjoy reading about their favourite topics. When picking out a book for your school-aged child, look for books that are based on your child's interests, as well as books that are in a short series or have interesting characters and stories. Children learning to read can find a good story and some interesting facts in these fiction and non-fiction books:

Madeline by Ludwig Bemelmans

The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats

Frog and Toad Are Friends by Arnold Lobel

Miss Nelson is Missing by James Marshall

Amelia Bedelia by Peggy Parrish

Chicken Sunday by Patricia Polacco

Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak

The Giving Tree, Where the Sidewalk Ends by Shel Silverstein

Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day by Judith Viorst

Lyle, Lyle the Crocodile by Bernard Waber

National Geographic Kids

ALPHABET BOOKS:

- *A Farmer's Alphabet* by Mary Azarian
- *It Begins With an A* by Stephanie Calmenson
- *The Letters Are Lost* by Lisa Campbell Ernst
- *Alphabet Parade* by Seymour Chwast
- *Dr. Suess's ABC* by Dr. Suess
- *Eating the Alphabet* by Lois Ehlert

RHYMING BOOKS:

- *Bears, Bears, Everywhere* by Luella Connelly
- *Green Eggs and Ham* by Dr. Suess
- *A Summer Day* by Douglas Florian
- *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom* by Bill Jr. Martin
- *Is Your Mama a Llama?* by Deborah Guarino
- *Squeeze a Sneeze* by Bill Morrison

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