More Great Read Alouds For Babies

Visit your local Idaho library to pick up your free poster of **100+ Great Read Alouds** and keep track of the books your family reads together. Then check out these additional favorites to read with your baby:

Baby Danced the Polka, by Karen Beaumont

Baby Born, by Anastasia Suen

Baby Faces series, by Margaret Miller

The Baby Goes Beep, by Rebecca O'Connell

Baby Sleeps, by Janet Ahlberg and Allan Ahlberg

Black on White, by Tana Hoban

Buenos Dias Baby! by Libby Ellis

Clap Hands, Helen Oxenbury

Everywhere Babies, by Susan Meyers

Global Babies, by Maya Ajmera

Hello Baby! by Mem Fox

How a Baby Grows, by Nola Buck

Motown Baby Love series, by Charles R. Smith

My Colors/Mis Colores, by Rebecca Emberley

My Very First Mother Goose, by Rosemary Wells

Pots and Pans, by Patricia Hubbell

The Runaway Bunny, by Margaret Wise Brown

Shapes, by Little Scholastic

Te Amo, Bebé, Little One, by Lisa Wheeler

Where is Baby's Belly Button? by Karen Katz

From your local library and the Idaho Commission for Libraries' Read to Me program

Infants and Books

Infants build their literacy skills by hearing lots of words, so talk and read to your child right from birth.

Simple story books, nursery rhymes, songs, and cloth or board books are good choices to read aloud to your baby. These kinds of books offer babies something to look at, to feel, and even to chew on!

Infants enjoy books that have pictures of things they know. They like eye-catching colors such as red, blue, and yellow, and pictures that have contrast like simple black and white drawings.

Tips for Reading Aloud

- Infants do not have long attention spans so keep reading activities short and fun.

- Put board books on low shelves so babies can reach them.

- Try reading, singing, reciting poems and rhymes, or doing fingerplays during bath or feeding time.

- Read and reread your baby's favorites because children learn from doing things over and over again.

- Turn off the radio and TV while reading.

- Set aside time every day for reading.