



“Few children learn to love books by themselves.

Someone has to lure them into the wonderful world of the written word: someone has to show them the way.”

Orville Prescott,

‘A Father Reads To His Children’

Let’s visit a Library or an Early Years Centre.



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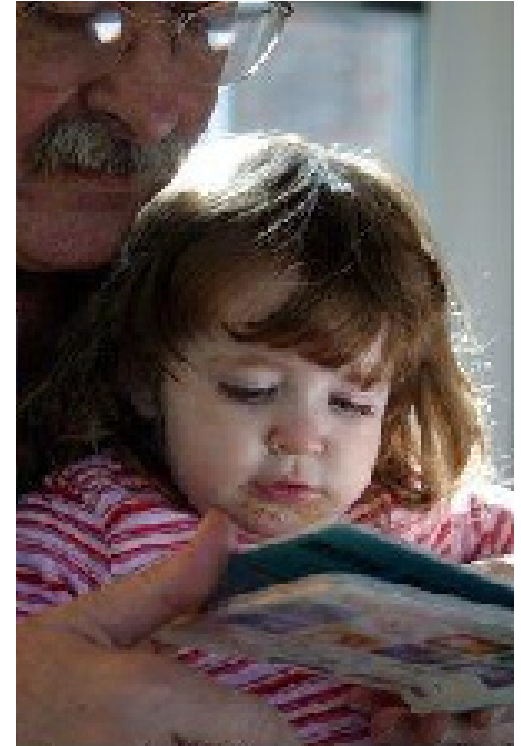


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Read To Me



... sharing books
with Babies!

Make time to read together each day!

Choosing Books

- Babies love picture books with one or two clear colourful pictures per page.
- Look for sturdy board books that little fingers can handle.
- Plastic or cloth books are great for babies to chew and explore with their mouth.
- Find books that have different textures or smells, or books that make a sound.
- Books with repetitive words or simple phrases will be both easy and fun to read.
- Babies love to look at faces or familiar things that are part of their world.



Tips From Your Child

- Hold me on your lap and cuddle when reading me a book.
- I treat books like toys... everything goes in my mouth!
- Give me something to chew and hold when you read to me.
- Read for short periods of time. I lose interest quickly.
- Engage me physically by clapping out rhymes or bouncing me gently on your knee.
- Sing to me when telling stories or add a special fingerplay to the fun.
- Read to me every day and especially to settle and soothe me before bedtime.



Parents as Readers

- √ Use rhymes, games and finger-plays to enrich the reading experience.
- √ Sing songs. Music makes the words easier to remember and helps the language come alive for baby.
- √ Reward your baby's first tries at making sounds. Your approval with smiles and hugs will encourage her to keep trying.
- √ Repeat the sounds baby makes and turn them into real words.

