

Babies Love Books

Reading aloud to your baby provides a fantastic language learning opportunity. It also helps to increase your baby's concentration and memory. Research shows that reading aloud to your baby each day helps build strong foundations for later-developing reading and writing skills.

Baby loves

- the sound of your voice
- the rhythm and rhyme of words in the story
- to look at pictures of things that are familiar to her
- the warmth and security of being held in your arms
- the one on one time and attention
- to explore books with his hands, mouth, feet and face

Baby learns

- to love story time
- new words and sounds
- to concentrate on the words you are saying
- that books are fun
- to listen to your voice
- that you love spending time with her

Best books for baby

- Durable books made from cloth, plastic or thick cardboard
- Books with large bright pictures
- Books about familiar events and objects
- Books with that repeat
- Textured books
- Books that make noises
- Books that are good to chew

Book Ideas

Baby Faces Sandra Lousanda
Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What do you see? Eric Carle
Dear Zoo Rod Campbell
Doing the Washing Sarah Garland
Eyes, Nose, Fingers, Toes Judy Hindley
Hooray for Fish Lucy Cousins
I Went Walking Sue Machin
Kissed by the Moon Alison Lester
My First Board Books Published by DK
Owl Babies Martin Waddell
Peepo Alan and Janet Ahlberg
Round and Round the Garden Ian Beck
Snug as a Hug Marcia Vaughan
Ten in the Bed Penny Dale
That's not my Teddy ... Fiona Watt & Rachel Wells
The Very Noisy Baby Alison Lester
Time for Bed Mem Fox
Where is the Green Sheep Mem Fox
Who sank the boat? Pamela Allen
Whose Feet? Jeanette Rowe

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