

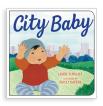


Created by a panel of local librarians and child development experts, this nationally recognized guide assists parents, teachers and caregivers in selecting quality materials to share with babies age birth to 18 months.



Baby, Sleepy Baby (Candlewick Press) by Atinuke, illustrated by Angela Brooksbank

An interracial family cuddles a beaming baby in this charming picture book.



City Baby (Orca)

by Laurie Elmquist, illustrated by Ashley Barron*
Colorful collages and simple phrases celebrate everyday experiences.



Farm Lullaby (Chronicle)

by Karen Jameson, illustrated by Wednesday Kirwan

Playful rhymes and pleasingly old-fashioned illustrations show a variety of farm animals as they prepare for sleep.



Goodnight Everyone (Candlewick Press)

by Chris Haughton

Bright colors and cleverly designed pages make the pictures in this board book pop.



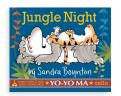
If You're Happy and You Know It! and Pop a Little Pancake! (Child's Play) illustrated by Annie Kubler* and Sarah Dellow

A diverse group of children act out these two play songs; musical notation is included on the back.



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Jungle Night (Workman)

by Sandra Boynton*

Sleepy rhymes give way to a (loud) surprise in this humorous animal-filled board book.



Leo Loves Daddy and Leo Loves Mommy (Charlesbridge) by Anna McQuinn*, illustrated by Ruth Hearson*

Leo is a smiling, energetic baby who loves spending time with his father and mother.



My Heart Beats (Orca)

by Rina Singh

Color photographs show babies and their caregivers with accompanying text that describes the sound of a heartbeat in a variety of languages.



The Night is Deep and Wide (Orca)

by Gillian Sze, illustrated by Sue Todd

Crisp black and white illustrations with splashes of color accompany a soothing poem to create a cozy bedtime read.



We All Play = kimêtawânaw (Greystone Kids)

by Julie Flett

Stunning artwork shows animals and children at play in a picture book that can be enjoyed by babies and will remain engaging as children grow.

It's never too early to start sharing books with your baby. When caregivers read and speak to babies, the speech and language parts of babies' brains are stimulated and develop. Share new words every day! Point to pictures on the page as you describe them. Make connections to things you see and experience in real life too.

Best Books for Babies can be found online at bestbooksforbabies.org



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