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for TODDLERS

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6 Early Literacy Skills NECESSARY before a child can learn to READ:

- **Print Motivation** - Interested in & enjoys books
- **Phonological Awareness** - hears & plays with the sounds that make up words
- **Vocabulary** - knows the names of things
- **Narrative Skills** - can describe things and tell stories
- **Print Awareness** - notices print on the page, knows how to handle a book
- **Letter Knowledge** - knows that letters are different, the same letter can look different, & that each letter has a sound

Toddlers:

Try to find books that relate to your toddler's interests/activities.

18-24 months

- Will bring books to you
- Have increased attention span
- Will begin to ask questions about the story & pictures

2-3 years old

- Like silly stories, simple fairy tales, stories about families
- Like guessing books - Ask them, "What do you think will happen next?"
- Simple alphabet books—Can begin to name letters, especially in own name

Use big books or books with large illustrations & short sentences for group reading time.



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