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Books for Toddlers 2021



LITERACY FOR 2-3 YEAR-OLDS

Toddlers are very busy (they have so much to learn and do!) and it can seem hard to get them to sit still for stories. Here are some tips for reading with your little ones:

TIMING

Try to find times when they seem most receptive – possibly after lunch, after a bath, or before they fall asleep.

INCLUSION

Make sure to include them in the story. Ask lots of questions and give them time to answer.

INTERACTION

Let your children turn the pages, point at pictures and mimic movements in the book – it is okay if they don't sit the entire time.

GUIDING

Don't worry about reading all the words – most toddler books don't have plots anyway!

ENJOYMENT

Toddlers like books with rhymes and familiar items, routines, and simple words.

REPETITION

Read their favorite stories again and again and again!

BOOKS TO TRY

Barrager, Brigitte
Welcome Flower Child

Each child is a different type of flower; this is a book that reveals the meaning of birth flowers for babies born each month of the year.

Chapman, Jared.
Vegetables in Underwear

Illustrations and brief text reveal the wide variety of unmentionables sported by vegetables!

Cooper, Elisha
8: An Animal Alphabet

In this counting alphabet book, readers learn about animals familiar and exotic.

Dahl, Michael
Little Dinos Don't Bite

Dino learns that he should not bite--except for food, of course.

Dennis, Kathryn
Snakes on a Train

A funny picture book full of sibilant sounds and other word play where friendly snakes slither and hiss on their train ride.

Hunter, Anne
Where's the Baby?
(Geisel Honor book)

Papa Fox is looking for Baby Fox, who is just out of his sight ... but not ours! An adorable, interactive read-aloud for fans of *Are You My Mother*.

BOOKS TO TRY!

Isadora, Rachel
I Hear a Pickle (and Smell, See, Touch, and Taste It, Too!)

A group of children describe many things in their world using their senses.

Medina, Juana
1 Big Salad

A counting book, that counts from 1 to 10 and ends with a big salad.

Read, Kate
One Fox: a Thrilling Counting Book

An illustrated counting book in which one famished fox finds five snug eggs but must face three plump hens to get them.

Stutzman, Jonathan
Tiny T. Rex and the Impossible Hug

When Tiny T. Rex wants to cheer up his friend with a hug, his arms remain too small for proper hugging--but he is determined to practice, even when he gets into trouble.

Tullet, Hervé
Let's Play

Play your way through this interactive and humorous book!

Wong, Liz
The Goose Egg

Henrietta's serene life is disrupted when a baby goose comes to stay, but after Goose finally leaves, Henrietta no longer enjoys the quiet.