

# Books for Babies and Young Toddlers



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The books listed here are excellent examples of the types of topics and formats that are appropriate for babies and young toddlers. Books can go out of print quickly; if you are unable to find some of these books, ask your librarian to recommend similar titles.

## Books for Babies (Birth to 12 Months)

### High-Contrast Books for First Few Months

- Blake, Michael. *Baby's Day*. Candlewick, 2007. (Several others in series)
- Hoban, Tana. *Black and White*. Greenwillow, 2007.
- Linenthal, Peter. *Look Look Outside!* Dial, 2012. (Several others in series)

### Sounds

- Allen, Joy. *Baby Sounds*. Dial, 2012.

### Touch-and-Feel Books

- Boynton, Sandra. *Fuzzy Fuzzy Fuzzy! A Touch, Skritch & Tickle Book*. Little Simon, 2003. (Several others by this author)
- Johansson, Cecilia. *Just Like Mommy*. Little Simon, 2005. (Also *Just Like Daddy*)
- Katz, Karen. *Baby at the Farm*. Little Simon, 2010. (Several others by this author)
- Watt, Fiona. *That's Not My Puppy ... Its Coat Is Too Hairy*. Usborne Books, 2000. (Several others in series)

### Baby Faces

- Adler, Victoria. *All of Baby Nose to Toes*. Dial, 2009.
- Global Fund for Children. *American Babies*. Charlesbridge, 2010. (Also *Global Babies*)
- Intrater, Roberta Grobel. *Baby Faces: Eat!* Cartwheel, 2002. (Several others in series)
- Miller, Margaret. *Baby Faces*. Little Simon, 2009. (Several others in series)
- Sami. *Baby Flip-a-Face: Yellow Red Blue*. Blue Apple, 2007. (Several others in series)
- Ziefert, Harriet. *Begin Smart Baby Faces*. Begin Smart, 2008. (Several others in series)

### Point-and-Say Books, One Object Per Page

- Emberley, Rebecca. *My Colors/Mis Colores*. Little, Brown, 2000. (Several others in series)

- Graux, Amelie. *I Love to Eat*. HMH Books, 2012. (Also *I Love to Sleep*)

### Rhymes and Songs

- Kubler, Annie. *I'm a Little Teapot*. Child's Play International, 2007. (Several other song books by this author)
- Kubler, Annie. *Pat-a-Cake*. Child's Play International, 2010. (Several other rhyme books by this author)
- Rescek, Sanja. *Bounce and Jiggle*. Child's Play, 2008. (Several others in Baby Gym series)
- Yoon, Salina. *Humpty Dumpty*. Simon & Schuster, 2012.

## Books for Young Toddlers (12 to 24 Months)

### Peek-a-Boo or Lift-the-Flap Books

- Broach, Elise. *Seashore Baby*. LB Kids, 2010.
- Cimarusti, Marie Torres. *Peek-a-Moo!* Dutton, 1998. (Several others in series)
- Ferri, Francesca. *Peek-a-Boo Pets*. Barron's Educational, 2009. (Several others in series)
- Gunzi, Christiane. *Who's Hiding? In the Garden*. Barron's Educational, 2010. (Several others in series)
- Katz, Karen. *Princess Baby on the Go!* Schwartz & Wade, 2010. (Several others in series)
- Katz, Karen. *Where Is Baby's Belly Button?* (large board edition). Little Simon, 2009. (Several others in series)
- Katz, Karen. *Where Is Baby's Puppy?* Little Simon, 2011. (Several others in series)
- Lewin, Betsy. *Where Is Tippy Toes?* Atheneum, 2010.
- Magsamen, Sandra. *Peek-a-Boo, I Love You!* Little, Brown, 2009. (Several others by this author)

### Point-and-Say Books

- Dwell Studio. *Go*. Blue Apple, 2010. (Several others by this author)
- Jocelyn, Marthe. *Ready for Autumn*. Tundra Books, 2008. (Three others in series)

## Interactive Books

- Barry, Frances. *Duckie's Splash*. Candlewick, 2006.
- Denchfield, Nick. *Charlie Chick*. HMH Books, 2007.
- Gillingham, Sara. *In My Nest*. Chronicle Books, 2009. (Several others in series)
- Horáček, Petr. *Strawberries Are Red*. Candlewick, 2001.

## Touch and Feel, Textures, Unusual Shapes

- Horáček, Petr. *Beep Beep*. Walker, 2009. (Also *Choo Choo*)
- Katz, Karen. *Beddy-Bye Baby*. Little Simon, 2009. (Several others by this author)
- Priddy, Roger. *F Is for Farm*. Priddy Books, 2008. (Several others by this author)
- Siminovich, Lorena. *I Like Vegetables*. Templar, 2011. (Several others in series)
- Yoon, Salina. *Peek-a-Love*. Little Simon, 2010.

## Rhymes and Songs

- Ackerman, Jill. *Five Little Ducks*. Little Scholastic, 2007.
- Asim, Jabari. *Whose Toes Are Those? Little, Brown, 2006. (Also Whose Knees Are These?)*
- Cruise, Robin. *Only You*. Harcourt, 2007.
- Ellwand, David. *Old MacDonald Had a Farm*. Silver Dolphin Books, 2010. (Several others in series)
- Katz, Karen. *Shake It Up, Baby!* Little Simon, 2009.
- Kubler, Annie. *Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes*. Child's Play International, 2002. (Several other song books by this author)
- Scholastic. *Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear, Turn Around!* Scholastic, 2012. (Several others in series)
- Scholastic. *Twinkle, Twinkle, Time for Bed*. Scholastic, 2010.
- Wilson, Karma. *Baby Cakes*. Little Simon, 2006. (Also *Baby, I Love You*)

## Animals

- Butler, John. *Ten in the Den*. Peachtree, 2005. (Several others by this author)
- Dwell Studio. *Touch and Feel Farm*. Blue Apple, 2009.
- Lobel, Anita. *Hello, Day!* Greenwillow, 2008.
- Root, Phyllis. *Quack!* Candlewick, 2005. (Also *Hop!*)

## Everyday Life and Activities

- Allen, Joy. *Baby Signs*. Dial, 2008.
- Dewdney, Anna. *Llama Llama Nighty-Night*. Viking Juvenile, 2012. (Several others in series)

- Fleming, Denise. *The Everything Book*. Henry Holt, 2000.
- Hubbell, Patricia. *Pots and Pans*. HarperFestival, 1998.
- Isadora, Rachel. *Peekaboo Morning*. Putnam, 2002.
- Lester, J.D. *Grandma Calls Me Gigglepie*. Robin Corey Books, 2011. (Several others in series)
- Nosy Crow. *Noodle Loves to Eat*. Nosy Crow, 2012. (Several others in series)
- Oxenbury, Helen. *Clap Hands*. Little Simon, 2009. (Several others in series)
- Patricelli, Leslie. *Yummy Yucky*. Candlewick, 2003. (Many other titles by this author)
- Powell, Debbie. *Trucks*. Candlewick, 2012.
- Rossetti-Shustak, Bernadette. *I Love You Through and Through*. Scholastic, 2005.

## Easy Concepts

- Carle, Eric. *The Very Hungry Caterpillar's Finger Puppet Book*. Grosset & Dunlap, 2011.
- Doodler, Todd. *What Color Is Bear's Underwear?* Blue Apple, 2011.
- Hill, Eric. *Spot's First Colors: A Touch-and-Feel Book*. Putnam, 2011. (Also *Spot's First Shapes* and *Spot's First Numbers*)
- Katz, Karen. *Baby's Numbers*. Little Simon, 2010. (Also *Baby's Colors* and *Baby's Shapes*)
- Karp, Ken. *Will You Wear a Blue Hat?* Scholastic, 2010.
- Kiely, Orla. *Colors*. Henry Holt, 2012. (Several others in series)
- Martin, Bill. *Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?* (board book edition). Henry Holt, 1996.
- Rey, H.A. *Curious Baby: My First Book of Color*. Houghton Mifflin, 2011.
- Schade, Susan, and Jon Buller. *The Noisy Counting Book*. Random House, 2010.
- Siminovich, Lorena. *I Like Bugs*. Templar, 2010. (Several others by this author)
- Wallace, Nancy Elizabeth. *Planting Seeds*. Marshall Cavendish, 2010.
- Yang, Belle. *A Nest in Springtime*. Candlewick, 2012. (Also *Summertime Rainbow*)
- Yoon, Salina. *Who Do I See?* Robin Corey Books, 2011. (Also *One, Two, Buckle My Shoe*)