



Building A Home Library

Ages 0-3

The ALA-Children's Book Council (CBC) Joint Committee, with cooperation from the ALSC's Quicklists Consulting Committee, has created this bibliography to provide guidance to parents, grandparents, and others interested in assembling a high-quality library for their children at home.

We suggest the following sites for more book titles:

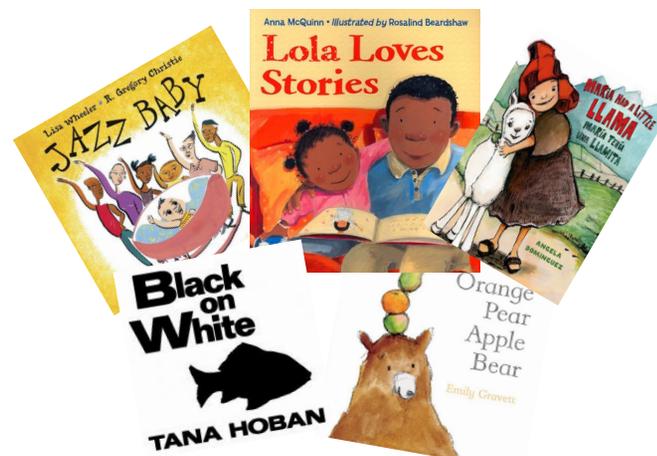
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Welcome to the world of books for your home!

Here are suggested classic and contemporary book titles either for a great start to or enhancement of your home library, an ever-present resource for children and adults. The American Library Association - Children's Book Council Joint Committee and the ALSC Quicklists Consulting Committee recommend these titles for children ages 0-3.

Three other pamphlets recommend books for children ages 4-7, 8-11, and 12-14. Ask your librarian or bookseller about multiple formats for these books and for more suggestions to add to your growing collection.

Barrett, Mary Brigid. Illustrated by LeUyen Pham.

Pat-a-Cake. Candlewick Press, 2014.

Takes a rhyme beloved by toddlers everywhere and expands it to encompass the world.

Boynton, Sandra.

Are You a Cow? Little Simon / Simon & Schuster, 2012.

A bossy chicken makes animals (and readers) identify themselves in typical Boynton rhyme and zany humor.

Brown, Margaret Wise. Illustrated by Clement Hurd.

Goodnight Moon. HarperCollins, 1947.

A home library essential bedtime story. The soothing sound of "In the great green room..." sends us on our way.

Campbell, Rod.

Dear Zoo: a Pop-up Book. Little Simon / Simon & Schuster, 2005.

The zoo sends animals that are too big, too fierce, or too naughty to a child in search for an animal companion. Will the zoo send the perfect pet?

Carle, Eric.

La oruga muy hambrienta/The Very Hungry Caterpillar. Philomel / Penguin, 2011.

We count through the days of the week in this classic collage art concept book now available in a bilingual Spanish/ English edition.

Cousins, Lucy.

Peck, Peck, Peck. Candlewick Press, 2013.

After learning how to peck, a baby woodpecker practices his newly learned skill on a variety of household objects.

Crews, Nina.

The Neighborhood Sing-Along. Greenwillow / HarperCollins, 2011.

Sing familiar tunes as you wind your way through fun photo collages in an urban setting.

Dominguez, Angela.

Mary Had a Little Llama / María Tenía una Llamita. Henry Holt / Macmillan, 2013.

The classic song gets a delightful Peruvian twist.

Ehlert, Lois.

Eating the Alphabet. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 1996.

This yummy alphabet book showcases fruits and vegetables of various types and colors.

Fox, Mem. Illustrated by Steve Jenkins.

Hello, Baby. Little Simon / Simon & Schuster, 2012.

A human baby meets many animal babies on a rhyming tour of the animal kingdom.

Global Fund for Children.

Global Babies / Bebés del mundo.

Charlesbridge, 2009.

Babies may wear different clothes, move around in different types of carriers, and eat

different food, but babies all over the world are loved.

Gravett, Emily.

Orange Pear Apple Bear. Little Simon / Simon & Schuster, 2011.

With just four objects and five words, this story about a silly bear and his fruit is more than the sum of its parts!

Hacohen, Dean and Sherry Scharschmidt.

Tuck Me In! Candlewick Press, 2010.

"It's time for bed. Who needs to be tucked in?" A baby zebra, pig, elephant, and others answer the call.

Hoban, Tana.

Black On White. Greenwillow Books, 2007.

Even the youngest babies can see the clear black and white images depicting everyday objects such as a leaf, a boat, and buttons.

Katz, Karen.

The Babies on the Bus. Henry Holt / Macmillan, 2013.

Babies are all over this rendition of the familiar song: singing, bouncing, falling asleep, and saying bye-bye to the bus.

Linenthal, Peter.

Look at the Animals! Dutton / Penguin, 2006.

Puppies play and pandas eat in this black and white book perfect for babies' eyes.

McPhail, David.

My Mother Goose: A Collection of Favorite Rhymes, Songs, and Concepts. Roaring Brook Press / Macmillan, 2013.

A classic and sweetly-illustrated collection of Mother Goose rhymes.

McQuinn, Anna. Illustrated by Rosalind Beardshaw.

Lola Loves Stories. Charlesbridge, 2010.

Who doesn't enjoy a nightly snuggle with a good book and a loved one?

Miller, Margaret.

I Love Colors. Little Simon / Simon & Schuster, 2009.

Babies are fascinated by faces and bright colors, and this book delivers both at once.

Parenteau, Shirley. Illustrated by David Walker.

Bears in Bed. Candlewick Press, 2012.

When the moaning night wind frightens the little bears into Big Brown Bear's bed, he must find the right way to settle them back down.

Patricelli, Leslie.

Higher! Higher! Candlewick Press, 2010.

A little girl on a swing asks her dad to push her higher, higher, higher-- so high she zooms right into outer space!

Schade, Susan. Illustrated by Jon Buller.

The Noisy Counting Book. Random House, 2010.

A raucous, rousing, remarkable introduction to numbers that will have even the smallest readers clapping their hands with joy.

Wheeler, Lisa. Illustrated by R. Gregory Christie.

Jazz Baby. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2007.

A jazzy baby inspires his sister, granny, uncle, and the entire family to have some noisy fun!

Wolff, Ashley.

Baby Bear Sees Blue. Beach Lane Books / Simon & Schuster, 2012.

A truly lovely paean to colors through the eyes of an innocent cub.

Yoon, Salina.

Opposnakes: a Lift-the-Flap Book about Opposites. Little Simon / Simon & Schuster, 2009.

Loud, guitar-playing rock band snakes. Quiet snakes reading books. Are they opposites or Oppo-snakes?