



# Pre-Reader Early Literacy Activities



## Babies

Narrate what you do as you go through your daily day. This helps babies connect words with objects & actions.

Read a book on using sign language with babies, a great way for baby to communicate before he/she can speak.

Read a book photos of babies or try making your own book using family photos.

Check out a touch and feel or lift-the-flap book to engage their senses & add interest.





## Toddlers

Run your finger under the words as you read them.

Talk about what's coming next in the day. This helps kids understand how to tell a story.

When reading, periodically pause & let your child fill in the next word.

Encourage play that involves talking, naming & describing.



## Preschoolers

Ask your child to explain what happens in his/her favorite book & why it is a favorite.

Help your child identify familiar letters. Show him that these letters spell important words, like his/her own name.

When out & about, ask your child to look out for a specific word in a sign.

Read a book together & then encourage your child to draw a picture about the story.