
THE BASICS: BOOKS FOR LITTLE ONES

Science shows that 80% of brain growth happens by age three! Young brains develop like little muscles. They get bigger and stronger the more you interact with your infant or toddler. The Basics Principles are five fun, simple, and powerful ways to help all our children aged 0-3 grow to be happy and smart.

It's never too early to start reading with your child! Even infants will enjoy touching and looking at the pictures in books. Try the books below or ask a librarian for recommendations. For more information on The Basics Principles, as well as tips for reading with little ones, visit TheBasics.org.



Booklist for Basic 1: Maximize Love, Manage Stress

Besos for Baby by Jen Arena
Guess How Much I Love You by Sam McBratney
Little's and How They Grow by Kelly DiPucchio
My Heart Fills with Happiness by Monique Gray Smith
Peekaboo Morning by Rachel Isadora
Show Me Happy by Kathryn Madeline Allen
The Shape of My Heart by Mark Sperring



Booklist for Basic 2: Talk, Sing and Point

Baa, Baa, Black Sheep by Jane Cabrera
I Ain't Gonna Paint No More! by Karen Beaumont
Jazz Baby by Carole Boston Weatherford
Little Elephants by Susie Jaramillo
The Seals on the Bus by Lenny Hort
Where Is Baby's Belly Button? by Karen Katz



Booklist for Basic 3: Count, Group, and Compare

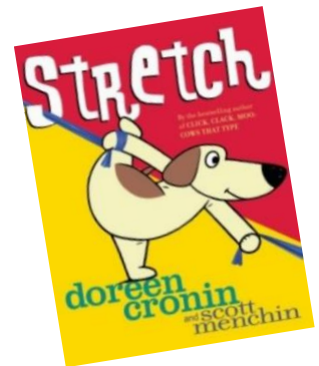
Blocks by Irene Dickson
Chicka Chicka, 1, 2, 3 by Bill Martin Jr.
City Shapes by Diana Murray
Feast for 10 by Cathryn Falwell
Golden Domes and Silver Lanterns by Hena Khan
Mouse Paint by Ellen Stoll Walsh
Red is a Dragon: A Book of Colors by Roseanne Thong





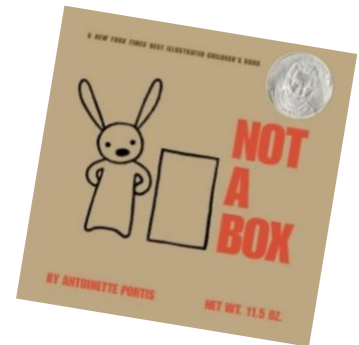
Booklist for Basic 4: Explore Through Movement and Play

Barnyard Dance by Sandra Boynton
Can You Make A Scary Face? by Jan Thomas
From Head to Toe by Eric Carle
Stretch by Doreen Cronin
Tap the Magic Tree by Christie Matheson
Where Is the Green Sheep? by Mem Fox
You Are A Lion! by Taeun Yoo



Booklist for Basic 5: Read and Discuss Stories

Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? by Bill Martin
Llama Llama, Red Pajama by Anna Dewdney
Lola at the Library by Anna McQuinn
Maggie and Michael Get Dressed by Denise Fleming
Not A Box by Antoinette Portis
The Feelings Book by Todd Parr
We Are Family by Patricia Hegarty
Whose Knees Are These? by Jabari Asim



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