

Created by a panel of local librarians and child development experts, this nationally recognized guide assists parents, teachers and caregivers in selecting quality materials to share with babies ages birth to 18 months.



¿Puedes Cavar Como Un Excavadora?/Can You Dig Like a Digger?
and *¿Puedes Hacer Chú Chú a Como Un Tren?/Can You Choo Choo Like a Train?*
and *¿Puedes Ladrar Como Un Perro?/Can You Bark Like a Dog?*
(Child's Play International)
illustrations by Abi Hall and Cocoretto

Simple questions and colorful pictures of vehicles and animals invite interaction between baby and reader. In Spanish and English.



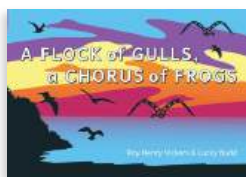
Black & White in Color (Greenwillow Books)
by Tana Hoban

Appealing photographs of babies and high-contrast graphics ensure that this sturdy book will grab baby's attention during tummy time and beyond.



Cinco Enormes Dinosaurios/Five Enormous Dinosaurs
and *En La Estación/Down by the Station*
and *¡Salta Un Poquito!/Hop a Little!* (Child's Play International)
by Annie Kubler and Sarah Dellow

Celebrate a dinosaur countdown, a busy morning, music, and movement. In Spanish and English, featuring babies with diverse abilities and identities.



A Flock of Gulls, a Chorus of Frogs (Harbour Publishing)
by Roy Henry Vickers and Lucky Budd

Groups of familiar and unfamiliar animals of the West Coast appear on embossed pages. Vickers, an Indigenous artist, provides high-contrast beauty and subtle textures while expanding vocabulary.



Hello, Face! (Barefoot Books)
by Aya Khalil

Laugh, sneeze, yawn, and listen along to this inclusive homage to facial features.

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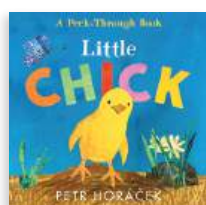
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Hello Hello Colors (Chronicle Kids)

by Brendan Wenzel

A parade of animals and insects offers the opportunity to expand vocabulary while enjoying quirky, colorful illustrations. What starts as simple point-and-say illustrations will be a book baby grows with.



Little Chick (Candlewick Press)

by Petr Horáček

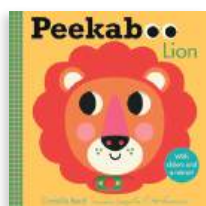
Peek-through pages encourage babies to grab on and explore while repetitive text provides a rhythm for a little chick's day on the farm.



My First Book of Baby Signs (Callisto Publishing)

by Lane Rebelo, illustrations by Cait Brennan

Graphic illustrations, accompanied by instructions, feature babies and caregivers and show how to make each sign.



Peekaboo Lion (Candlewick Press)

by Camilla Reid, illustrations by Ingela P. Arrhenius

Sturdy sliders reveal animals in bold colors and promote the fine motor skills that emerge around the end of baby's first year. A mirror at the end will bring a smile to baby's face.



Tummy Time: Farm and

Tummy Time: Savanna (Nosy Crow)

by Louise Lockhart

Fold-out pages share a "say hello" scene on one side, and up-close depictions of animals on the other to delight babies during tummy time and beyond.

It's never too early to start sharing books with your baby. When caregivers read and speak to babies, the speech and language parts of babies' brains are stimulated and develop. Share new words every day! Point to pictures on the page as you describe them. Make connections to things you see and experience in real life too.

Best Books for Babies can be found online at bestbooksforbabies.org