



## Everyday Activities to Share with Your Toddler (Ages 2-3)

Start now! It's fun and it's easy!

- ★ Read together everyday and let your toddler hold the book and turn pages
- ★ Read favorite books over and over
- ★ Tell a favorite story using a puppet
- ★ Talk about the book as you read
- ★ Go to the library for books and **Storytime**
- ★ Take a walk, talking about what you see and reading signs as you go
- ★ Keep paper, crayons, and markers available
- ★ Act out "Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed" or other rhymes
- ★ Encourage your child to "read" or tell a story to his or her teddy bear
- ★ Tell real life stories from when you were little
- ★ Encourage your toddler to talk about what he or she is doing
- ★ Put labels on objects around the house...chair, bed, etc.
- ★ Recite nursery rhymes together at nap time or while driving
- ★ Get ABC magnets or ABC books and find the letters of the toddler's name
- ★ Set up a shelf or bin of books

## Brain Power

Beginning at birth and during your child's early years, crucial connections are formed and strengthened in the brain through repeated playful, loving and stimulating experiences. Each time you read a book, tickle a belly, sing a song, or play peek-a-boo, connections are made between brain cells. Repetition makes the connections stronger, so sing that song again!



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**Good books for your toddler may have:**

A simple, predictable plot  
Rhymes, songs, and poetry  
Sounds and noises as part of the story  
Appealing illustrations  
Subjects from your toddler's real world  
Words and phrases that repeat  
Flaps and simple pop-ups

**Check out these and many more at your library!**

Big Fat Hen by Keith Bake

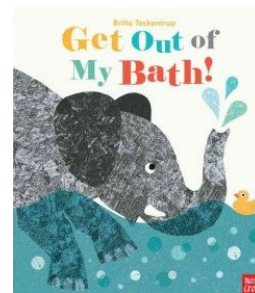
Ten, Nine, Eight by Molly Bang

Dear Zoo (available in pop-up and lift-a-flap editions, too) by Rod Campbell

Five Little Monkeys Jumping On the Bed by Eileen Christelow

Freight Train by Donald Crews

Get Out of My Bath! by Britta Teckentrup



**Libros en Español para bebé:**

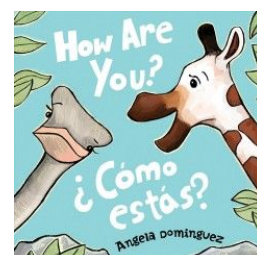
How are You?/ ¿Como estás? por Angela Dominguez

La oruga muy hambrienta/The Very Hungry Caterpillar por Eric Carle

What Do I Feel/¿Qué siento? por Annie Kubler

Pete el gato: I love my white shoes por Eric Litman

Tortillas and Lullabies/Tortillas y Cancioncitas por Lynn Reiser



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