

Early Literacy Reads

Early Literacy is what kids know about books and writing before they can read. There are 5 practices that parents and caregivers can promote to help kids learn about books, learning and be ready to read when they get to school. They are **Reading, Writing, Talking, Singing and Playing**. The following books are Bell Awards Winners, chosen by Colorado Libraries for Early Literacy.

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Reading is the single most important thing parents and caregivers can do to help kids become readers. Read together every day-you are your child's first and best teacher!

Alexander, Kwame	Surf's Up
Allen, Jonathan	I'm Not Reading
Asher, Sandy	Chicken Story Time
Banks, Kate,	The Bear in the Book
Becker, Helaine	You Can Read
Blatt, James	Books Always Everywhere
Bloom, Becky	Wolf!
O'Byrne, Nicola	Open Very Carefully: A Book with Bite
Burk, Rachele	Don't Turn the Page!
Chapin, Tom	The Library Book
Driscoll, Amanda	Duncan the Story Dragon
Foster, Travis and Long, Ethan	Give Me Back My Book!
Freedman, Deborah	The Story of Fish and Snail
Gravett, Emily	Again
Gross, Benedikt	ABC: The Alphabet from the Sky
Harris, Robie	Maybe a Bear Ate It
Kausmeier, Jesse	Open This Little Book
Manely, Curtis	The Summer Nick Taught His Cats to Read
McQuinn, Anna	Lola at the Library#
Novak, B. J.	The Book with No Pictures
Ohi, Debbie Ridpath	Where are My Books?
Oliver, Carmen	Bears Make the Best Reading Buddies
Preston-Gannon, Frann	Sloth Slept On
Rocha, Ruth	Lines, Squiggles, Letter, Words
Slater, David Michael	The Boy & the Book
Van Lieshout, Maria	Backseat A-B-See
Wells, Rosemary	Yoko Finds Her Way

Writing and reading go together. Writing is the beginning of understanding that letters and words represent sounds and objects. Make lists with your child, write their name, the ABCs, and draw. Keep it fun and encourage every effort.

Aulenback, Stephany	If I Wrote a Book About You
Austin, Mike	Monsters Love Colors
Bloom, Suzanne	A Splendid Friend, Indeed
Bossio, Paula	The Line
Browne, Anthony	Frida and Bear Play the Shape Game
Clanton, Ben	It Came in the Mail
Compoy, Isabel F. & Howell, Theresa	Maybe Something Beautiful
Dominguez, Angela	Knit Together
First	My First Touch and Trace: First ABC
Florian, Douglas	How to Draw a Dragon
Freedman, Deborah	By Mouse and Frog
Haworth, Katie	Around the World: Follow the Trail
Hirst, Daisy	Alphonse, That is Not OK to Do!
Larsen, Andrew	A Squiggly Story
Mack, Jeff	The Things I Can Do
Ohi, Debbie Ridpath	Sam & Eva
Raczka, Bob	Niko Draws a Feeling
Rickerty, Simon	The Crayon: A Colorful Tale about Friendship
Russell, Natalie	Lost for Words
Saltzberg, Barney	Andrew Drew and Drew
Saltzberg, Barney	Inside the Book: (are three books)
Savage, Stephen	Little Plane Learns to Write
Shaefer, Carole Lexa	The Squiggle
Sher, Emil	Away
Wells, Rosemary	Bunny Cakes
Williams, Karen Lynn	A Beach Tail
Winter, Jeanette	Henri's Scissors

Singing is fun! Singing helps children hear the smaller parts of words, which will help them learn to sounds out words as they start to read. Rhymes also help with this process, called phonological awareness.

Ashman, Linda	Rock-a-bye Romp
Black, Michael Ian	Cock-a-Doodle-Do-Bop!
Brown, Marc	Marc Brown's Playtime Rhymes
Colby, Rebecca	Motor Goose: Rhymes that Go!

Crews, Nina: Call number :	The Neighborhood Mother Goose
Mother Goose	
Dominguez, Angela	Maria Had a Little Llama / Maria Tenia Una Llamito
Freed, Arthur and Brown, Nacio Herb	Singing in the Rain
Goetz, Steve	Old MacDonald Had a Truck
Going, K. L.	Bumpety, Dunkety, Thumpety-Thump!
Harrington, Tim	Nose to Toes, You are Yummy!
Hughes, Langston	Lullaby (For a Black Mother)
Judge, Lita	Hoot and Peep
Litwin, Eric	Pete the Cat: I Love My White Shoes
Litwin, Eric	Groovy Joe: Ice Cream & Dinosaurs
Litwin, Eric	The Nuts: Bedtime at the Nut House
Martin, Bill Jr.	Spunky Little Monkey
Numeroff, Laura	Nighty Night Cooper
Raposo, Joe	Sing
Saltzberg, Barney	Twinkle, Twinkle, ABC: A Mixed-Up, Mashed-Up Melody
Schofield-Morrison, Connie	I Got Rhythm
Smallman, Steve	Hiccupotamus
Smith, donna	Mother Goose's Pajama Party
Stoop, Noaka	Sing with Me! Action Songs Every child Should Know
Taylor, Ann	Baby Dance
Webb, Steve	Tanka Tanka Skunk!
Weinstone, David	Music Class Today!
Wheeler, Lisa	Jazz Baby
Williamson, Melanie	The Wheels on the Bus, sung by the Amador family

Talking exposes children to new and rare words, increasing their vocabulary. It teaches them the back and forth of conversation and helps them to formulate their own thoughts and share them-the beginnings of communication.

Ashman, Linda	Rain
Averbeck, Jim	One Word from Sophia
Cole, Rachael	City Moon
Ekster, Carol Gordon	You Know What?
Feiffer, Jules	Bark George
Fleming, Denise	Maggie & Michael Get Dressed
Harper, Cherise Mericle	Go! Go! Go! Stop!
Hall, Pamela	Miss You Like Crazy
Heim, Alastain	Love You Too
Isadora, Rachel	Say Hello
Johnston, Tony	A Small Thing...but Big

La Rochelle, David	Moo!
Lamb, Albert	Tell Me the Day Backwards
Lawrence, Alan	Daddy's Zigzagging Bedtime Story
Light, Steve	Diggers Go
Mamada, Mineko	Which is Round? Which is Bigger?
McGhee, Alison	Tell Me a Tattoo Story
Petty, Dev	I Don't Want to Be a Frog!
Pitzer, Marjorie	I Like Berries, Do You?
Plecos, Jennifer	BAH! Said the Baby
Portis, Antoinette	Froodle
Richards, Dan	Can One Balloon Make an Elephant Fly?
Shea, Susan	Do You Know Which Ones Will Grow?
Shuttlewood, Craig	Who's in the Tree? And Other Lift-the-Flap Surprises
Tekavec, Heather	Different? Same!
Tullet, Herve	Say Zoop!
Willems, Mo	Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus#
Yum, Hyewon	Puddle
Ziefert, Harriet	Can You Whoo, Too?

Playing brings all the other practices together. Preschoolers learn best when they are engaging with a parent or caregiver. Pretend, dance and tell and read stories.

Ashdown, Rebecca	Bob and Flo
Ashman, Linda	Little Baby Buttercup
Braun, Sebastian	Meeow and the Big Box
Catherine, Maria	Time Together: Me and Dad
Flyte, Min	Box
Gomi, Taro	Wiggle
Hale, Christy, Call number 720 H161d	Dreaming Up: A Celebration of Building
Himmelman, John	There's a Bug on My Book
Jocelyn, Martha	Sam Sorts
Joose, Barbara	Hooray Parade
Kerley, Barbara	The World is Waiting for You
Lies, Brian	Gator Dad
Lloyd, Megan Wagner	Fort-Building Time
Lujan, Jorje and Sadat, Mandana	Movi la mano / I Moved My Hand
Manceau, Edouard	Tickle Monster
Manceau, Edouard	Windblown
Morales, Yuyi	Niño Wrestles the World
Pinkney, Brian	On the Ball
Saltzberg, Barney	Tea with Grandpa

Siddals, Mary McKenna	Bringing the Outside In
Spanyol, Jessica	Clive and His Babies
Steig, William	Pete's A Pizza
Stuve-Bodeen, Stephanie	Elizabeth's Doll#
Tullet, Herve	The Eyes Game
Tullet, Herve	Press Here
Wilson-Max, Ken	Where's Lenny
Yuly, Toni	Cat Nap
Zuppardi, Sam	Things to Do with Dad

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