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## Reading with babies

### What babies like:

- being close to you
- watching your face and lips move
- hearing the sound of your voice
- listening to different sounds and music
- hearing same words, rhymes and stories over and over again
- looking at books with colours, faces and pictures of other babies
- touching and tasting books.



*Sharing stories  
from birth gives  
children a great  
start to life*

# You can help your baby grow into a strong reader.

## How?

- smile and hold your baby close so they can see your face and the book
- copy the sounds your baby makes e.g. “da-da-da”
- help your baby bounce and move to the rhythm of your voice or music
- talk or sing about what you are doing when caring for your baby
- notice what your baby is looking at and name it
- share stories with your baby in the language you feel most comfortable with
- start at the front of a book — you don’t have to finish it, a few pages is great!
- keep books in easy reach of your baby
- join the library — it’s free and fun.



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