

## Reading and Storytelling

### Instructions:

1. Regularly read books to your baby.
2. Point to the pictures as you read.
3. Engage your baby by using different sounds and voices for different characters.
4. Encourage baby to be involved by allowing him or her to turn the pages, laugh or act surprised, and touch the pictures.

### How to extend the activity:

You can find different times to read in order to connect it to your daily activities. During mealtime, you can read a book about mealtime or food to your baby, while he or she eats. While baby is in the tub, you can read a book about bath time. If you are planning an outing or have had a family outing to the zoo or circus you can always read a book to connect that family outing to home.

### Materials:

- Board or cloth picture books



### What they learn:

Language Development: Baby is learning names for objects in the story as you read to them. They can also learn rhyme from the story being read.

Listening Skills: Your baby is learning to sit and listen to you read. Baby is listening for sounds and the tone of your voice when you read.