# What Children Like in Books

## Infants 6-12 Months Like
- Board books with photos of babies
- Brightly colored board books to touch and taste
- Books with pictures of familiar objects—balls, bottles
- Small books sized for small hands

## Younger Toddlers 12-24 Months Like
- Sturdy board books they can handle and carry
- Books with photos and pictures of children doing familiar things—sleeping, eating, playing
- Goodnight books for bedtime
- Books about saying goodbye and hello
- Books with only a few words on the page
- Books with simple rhymes or predictable text

## Older Toddlers 24-36 Months Like
- Books with board pages—but also books with paper pages
- Silly books and funny books
- Rhymes, rhythms, repetitious text—books they can learn by heart
- Books about children and families
- Books about making friends
- Books about food
- Books about animals
- Books about trucks
- Word books

## Preschoolers 3-5 Years Like
- Books that tell stories
- Books about kids that look like them and live like them—but also books about different places and different ways of living
- Books about going to school, books about making friends
- Books with simple text they can memorize
- Counting books, alphabet books, vocabulary books

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