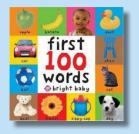
STEP 2: Reading their way to literacy

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Toddlers are curious and hungry for new experiences—it is the best time to get them hooked on books! If you're here downloading this list then you've read the chapter on reading their way to literacy, so I don't need to tell you what's to be gained. Here's a list of classic reads, board books and nonfiction 'first word' books to share with your child. Toddlers love learning about the world around them, and they love snuggling into you to explore a good book. Enjoy, and let them turn the pages!



First 100 Words by Roger Priddy

Published: Priddy Books Au

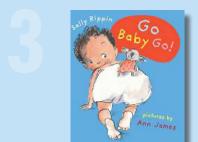
First 100 Words is a fabulous first words book for children ages 2 and up. 100 everyday words for children to learn and help build their vocabulary, presented with beautiful colour photographs in a simple, sturdy format.



Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown, Clement Hurd

Published: Pan Macmillan Au

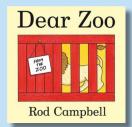
In a great green room a little bunny is tucked up snugly and safely in bed and is getting ready to say goodnight to all the familiar things in his room, one by one.



Go Baby Go by Sally Rippin, illustrated by Ann James

Published: Allen & Unwin

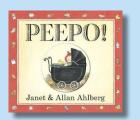
A lively, rhythmic text encouraging baby play is perfectly captured in warm, funny illustrations by Ann James, one of Australia's best-loved illustrated bys. Collect the set! Hush Baby Hush, Go Baby Go, What's That Noise? and Where is Baby?



Dear Zoo by Rod Campbell

Published: Pan Macmillan

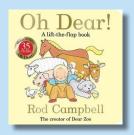
What kind of pet would you like from the zoo? An elephant, a lion, a snake - or something a bit smaller, and cuddlier and playful? Lift the flaps and see what has been sent - it's bound to be a surprise! And just when you think they'll never get it right, they send the very best, most perfect pet of all.



Peepo by Janet & Allan Ahlberg

Published: Penguin Books Ltd

Peepo follows a baby through the day in a style full of wit, charm and ingenuity. A series of holes peeping through to the next page leads the child on to the next stage in the day, giving a hint of what is to come.



Oh Dear by Rod Campbell

Published: Pan Macmillan

Buster's staying with Grandma on the farm. But where will he find the eggs for breakfast? Not in the stable – oh dear! Young children will love lifting the flaps as they turn the pages and follow Buster around the farm.



We're Going on a Bear Hunt

by Michael Rosen, illustrated by Helen Oxenbury

Published: Walker Books

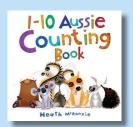
Follow and join in the family's excitement as they wade through the grass, splash through the river and squelch through the mud in search of a bear. What a surprise awaits them in the cave on the other side of the dark forest!



Spot by Eric Hill

Published: Penguin Books Ltd

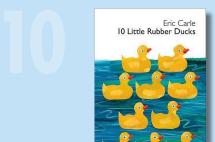
Join the hunt to find lovable puppy, Spot, in Eric Hill's first ever lift-the-flap tale! Lift each flap to find all sorts of funny animal surprises, before discovering where cheeky Spot has been hiding.



1-10 Aussie Counting Book by Heath McKenzie

Published: Walker Books

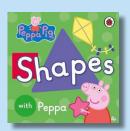
This book is all about 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 and Aussie animals.



10 Little Rubber Ducks by Eric Carle

Published: Scholastic Harper Collins Publishers Inc

"Ducks overboard!" shouts the captain, as a giant wave washes a box of 10 little rubber ducks off his cargo ship and into the sea. The ducks are swept away in various directions. One drifts west, where a friendly dolphin jumps over it. A whale sings to another. But as the sun sets, the 10th little rubber duck is left all alone, bobbing helplessly on the big wide sea. Small readers and listeners will empathize with the little duck's plight--and will rejoice at the heartwarming surprise ending.



Shapes With Peppa by Ladybird

Published: Penguin Books

Learn all your shapes with Peppa Pig! Shapes is a first concept book ideal for the very youngest Peppa Pig fan, with simple text and pictures this chunky board book is perfect for little hands.



Room on the Broom by Julia Donaldson, illustrated by Axel Scheffler

Published: Pan Macmillan

The witch and her cat are happily flying through the sky on a broomstick when the wind picks up and blows away the witch's hat, then her bow, and then her wand! Luckily, three helpful animals find the missing items, and all they want in return is a ride on the broom. But is there room on the broom for so many friends?





Goodnight Me by Andrew Daddo, illustrated by Emma Quay

Published: Hachette Australia

A baby orangutan is sleepy, but before he shuts his eyes he must first say goodnight to each and every part of himself: from the feet that ran him around all day, to the legs that did all that jumping, to the ears that listened so intently to the big world around him.



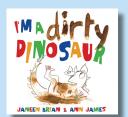


Too Many Monkeys by Margaret Wild, illustrated by Sally Rippin

Published: Omnibus Books

Five monkeys live in a tree that's just the right size for their family - until one day there's a knock-knock on the tree trunk. Surprise! Granny and Grandpa have come to stay. Now the monkeys are bunched up like bananas! They need a bigger home. "We'll have to move," says Mum. And they do. But soon there's another knock-knock!





I'm a Dirty Dinosaur by Janeen Brian, illustrated by Ann James

Published: Penguin Books

A dirty dinosaur. He starts his day with a dirty snout and bit by bit, slowly covers himself in mud, having a lot of fun along the way.

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Nursery and Playtime Rhymes by Wendy Straw

Published: Brolly Books

Young children and babies will love interacting with these fun playtime rhymes: Ring-a Ring o' Roses, Jack and Jill, Polly Put the Kettle On, Humpty Dumpty, One, Two, Three, Four, Five.