Reading Tip: Sing songs. Songs have different notes for each syllable in a word, so children can hear the different sounds in words. This prepares them to sound out words when learning to read.

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New Book Recommendations for Babies and Toddlers (Birth-3)

**Counting With Tiny Cat** by Viviane Schwarz
Tiny Cat is very confident at counting to four balls of yarn, but when more and more come bouncing into Tiny Cat's life, things get tricky. Of course, Tiny Cat finds the perfect way to settle the matter - sleep on it.
Themes: Counting, Cats

**Love the World** by Todd Parr
Whether looking at one's own nose and toes, helping others or exploring the world, there is always something to love.
Themes: Love, Helping, Self and Social Acceptance

**The Dog Book** by Lorenzo Clerici
Say hello to your new dog. You can rub his belly and teach him to play fetch. Uh-oh. He’s a muddy mess.
Themes: Pets, Dogs

**First Snow** by Bomi Park
A tiny girl awakens in the night and quickly dons her boots, coat, scarf and hat before quietly slipping outside to form a snowball. She rolls the snowball out of town, into the countryside, and past woodland creatures before reaching her destination—an open area where dozens of children are creating snowmen.
Theme: Snow, Snowmen

**Nat the Cat Can Sleep Like That** by Victoria Allenby
Nat the cat can sleep through anything, until night falls and he is ready to go.
Themes: Cats, Bedtime

**Sandra Boynton’s A if for Angry** by Sandra Boynton
This ABC book introduces toddlers and young children to an Angry Anteater, an Energetic Elephant, a Hungry Hippo, some Merry Mice, a Rotund Rhinoceros and more. Theme: Alphabet

**Snow Scene** by Richard Jackson
A playful guessing game set in a snowy landscape.
Themes: Snow, Snowmen, Seasons

**In Your Hands** by Brian Pinkney
A prayer from mother to son that he will always in safe hands.
Themes: Mothers and Sons, African Americans, Prayer

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