Reading Tip: You can help children see the relationship between the written and spoken word by using what is called environmental print, words that are part of everyday life, like signs and labels that can be pointed out to children as you read them.

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

**I Love You for Miles and Miles** by Alison Goldberg
Describes the depth, height and steadiness of one’s love for another by comparing it with the deepest drill, tallest crane and steadiest tugboat. **Theme:** Love

**Ping Wants to Play** by Adam Gudeon
Ping and Pong are friends, even though they like to do different things. **Themes:** Individuality, Friends, Dogs

**If Animals Said I Love You** by Ann Whitford Paul
Imagines how animals would say I love you. **Themes:** Love, Animals

**Take Care** by Madelyn Rosenberg
This simple story relays that kindness to the world is as easy as planting trees, tending to flowers and being nice to animals. Be kind to others by choosing nice words and sharing a smile. **Themes:** Helping Behavior, Environmentalism

**I’ve Loved You Since Forever** by Hoda Kotb
Lyrical text and illustrations of baby animals and their mothers show the love of a parent. **Themes:** Love, Infants, Adoption

**New Shoes** by Chris Raschka
Going to buy new shoes as told from the child’s perspective. **Theme:** Shopping

**Oskar Loves...** by Britta Teckentrup
Answering the question, “What do you love?” Oskar the raven names all kinds of things in his world which he loves. **Theme:** Love

**Trucks Galore** by Peter Stein
Whether hauling dirt or carrying treats, hurrying to put out a fire or hailing from outer space, this endless array of big, noisy vehicles is a dream parade for every child who loves trucks. **Themes:** Trucks, Vehicles

**Where’s Bunny?** by Theo Heras
A cozy celebration of bedtime routines. **Theme:** Bedtime

Board books are another way to enhance your baby and toddler’s early literacy experience. Find many, like this one, at your library branch.

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