



Tips for choosing a book that your child will love!

- **What is their favorite book?**
 - Is there a book your child wants to read over and over? Look for something by the same author/illustrator, or with a similar theme.
- **What was your favorite book?**
 - It can be really special to share a book you remember from your own childhood.
- **Let your child choose!**
 - Once they are old enough to walk on their own, let them explore the space and choose something that catches their eye. When they start talking, let them tell you the kind of story they want to hear.
- **Ask the librarian**
 - We love helping you find the perfect book for you and your child!

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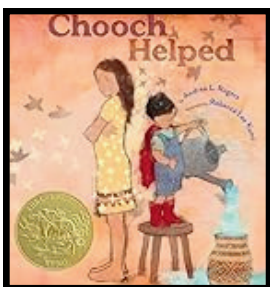
Reading with your baby, toddler, or preschooler is one of the best ways to help them become a lifelong reader. Taking part in our 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program encourages family bonding while your child develops the skills they'll need to succeed in school.

Ask the librarian for more information!

LEVEL UP! AT YOUR LIBRARY



**RECOMMENDED
PICTURE BOOKS FOR
BABIES TO
KINDERGARTENERS**



2025 Medal Winner:
Chooch Helped
by Andrea L. Rogers
& Rebecca Lee Kunz

Wonder Walkers by Micha Archer

Wolf in the Snow by Mathew Cordell*

Knight Owl by Christopher Denise

Berry Song by Michaela Goade

Big by Vashti Harrison

Have You Ever Seen a Flower?
by Shawn Harris

I Want My Hat Back by Jon Klassen*

The Cat Man of Aleppo by Irene Latham
and Karim Shamsi-Basha

A Big Mooncake for Little Star by Grace
Lin

Thank You, Omu! by Oge Mora

We Are Water Protectors by Carole
Lindstrom*

Bear Came Along by Richard T. Morris

There Was a Party for Langston by Jason
Reynolds

Hot Dog by Doug Salati*

Mel Fell by Corey R. Tabor

Watercress by Andrea Wang*

They All Saw A Cat by Brendan Wenzel

I Want a Dog by Jon Agee

Across the Bay by Carlos Aponte

Acorn Was a Little Wild by Jen Arena

The Princess and the Pony by Kate Beaton

Tia Fortuna's New Home by Ruth Behar

Octopus Shocktopus by Peter Bentley

Z is for Moose by Kelly Bingham

If I was a Horse by Sophie Blackall

Who Am I? by Julie Bucholtz

The Library Fish by Alyssa Satin Capucilli

Bowwow Powwow by Brenda Child

Remixed : a blended family by Aree Chung

Click Clack Moo by Doreen Cronin

Hooray for Birds! by Lucy Cousins

Can I Be Your Dog? by Troy Cummings

Pout Pout Fish by Deborah Diesen

Vlad, the Fabulous Vampire by Flavia Z.
Drago

Nigel and the Moon by Antwan Eady

Have you seen Gordon? by Adam Jay
Epstein

Tiny Dino by Deborah Freedman

I'm Fabulous Crab! by Niki Greenberg

Winter: A Solstice Story by Kelsey E. Gross

Poopsie Gets Lost by Hannah Harrison

The Teeny Weeny Unicorn by Shawn Harris

Year of the Cat by Richard Ho

Hundred Years of Happiness by Thanhà
Lại

Feathers Together by Caron Levis

Goth moth by Kai Lüftner

Out of a Jar by Deborah Marcero

Bathe the Cat by Alice B. McGinty

Howard the Average Gecko by Wendy
Meddour

Dreamers by Yiyi Morales

All Are Welcome by Alexandra Penfold

One Tiny Tree Frog by Tony Piedra

Group Hug by Jean Reidy

The Box Turtle by Vanessa Roeder

Moonlight by Stephen Savage

Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice
Sendak

I'm the Biggest Thing in the Ocean by
Kevin Sherry

Perfectly Pegasus by Jessie Sima

Escargot by Dashka Slater

A Sick Day for Amos McGee by Phillip
Christian Stead

Punky Aloha Shar Tuiasoa

Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus by Mo
Willems

The Year We Learned to Fly by Jacqueline
Woodson

Ellie in Concert by Mike Wu

The Wild by Yuval Zommer

*indicates winner

