

Rock-A-Bye Readers Activity Log
York County Public Library Summer Reading Program
June 24-August 2, 2019
(Ages birth to 24 months)

Check off each completed activity (in any order).

Return activity log to your registration location
between **June 24** and **August 9** to receive a new board book!

Visit the library.	Roll a ball to your child.	Read a book with your child.	Recite a nursery rhyme.
Read a book with your child.	Name different body parts.	Sing any song with your child.	Take a walk outside and talk about what you see.
Play a music CD and sing along.	Read a book with your child.	Play peek-a-boo.	Look at pictures of animals and imitate their sounds.
Clap with your child.	Blow bubbles with your child.	Let your child help turn the pages in a book.	Recite a nursery rhyme.
Read a book with your child.	Make silly faces and sounds with your child.	Sing any song with your child.	Point to and name family members with your child.



www.yorkcounty.gov/library

Tabb Library 757-890-5110

Yorktown Library 757-890-3236

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Online registration begins **Monday, June 10** and ends **Friday, August 2**.

You may download your activity log www.yorkcounty.gov/library

OR stop by the library beginning **Monday June 17** to register in person and pick up your log.



It's never too early to start sharing a love of reading with your child!

Early Literacy tips:

Snuggle up with a book

When you hold your baby close and look at a book together, your baby will enjoy the snuggling and hearing your voice as well as the story. Feeling safe and secure with you while looking at a book builds your baby's confidence and love of reading.

Choose baby-friendly books

Books with bright and bold or high-contrast illustrations are easier for young babies to see, and will grab their attention. Books made of cloth or soft plastic (for the bathtub) or "board books" with sturdy cardboard pages are easier for a baby to handle.

Keep books where your baby can reach them

Make sure books are as easy to reach, hold, and look at as toys. Remember, a baby will do with a book what he does with everything else — put it in his mouth. And that's exactly what he's supposed to do, so you may only want to put chewable books within reach.

Encourage your baby's coos, growls, and gurgles

They are your baby's way of communicating with you, and are important first steps toward speech. Encourage attempts to mimic you. The more your baby practices making sounds, the clearer they will become. Go ahead and moo, woof and honk!

Develop a daily routine (and make reading a part of it)

Routines can soothe a baby, and let a baby learn to predict what will happen next.

The ability to predict is important when your child is older and is reading independently.

Sing, Read, Repeat

Read favorite stories and sing favorite songs over and over again. Repeated fun with books will strengthen language development and positive feelings about reading.

<http://www.readingrockets.org/article/reading-tips-parents-babies>