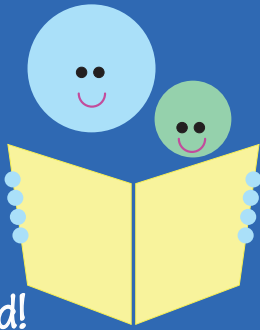


The Little Bookshelf



Please read to your child!

Fact Sheet #6 for baby's 6th month

As you know, you are your baby's first and most important teacher. We hope you will use books to help your baby grow, develop and get ready for reading. Use the following tips to read daily with your child. It will help your child learn and develop a love of books.

During the 6th month of your baby's life:

- Read to your baby every day, increasing the reading time gradually.
- Expect your baby to touch, feel and taste books while reading.
This is how babies learn.
- Make sure the book is clean.
- Choose small, chunky books that your baby can begin to hold.
- With your help, let your baby try to turn the pages.
- Talk about the pictures in the book, naming objects, colors and actions.
- Encourage your baby to repeat the words you say.
- Offer your baby a toy to hold and chew on while you are reading.



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