

BOOK SELECTION TIPS

AGES

TYPES OF BOOKS

<i>Zero to One</i>	Cloth and soft books that infants and babies can safely handle.
<i>One's & Two's</i>	Board books – Nursery rhymes, naming familiar objects. Sharing books is one-on-one at this stage.
<i>Two's & Three's</i>	First storybooks – Short, clear stories with only a few words on a page. Illustrations should closely follow the story. Sharing should still be one-on-one or two children per adult.
<i>Three's to Five's</i>	Picture books. Stories about situations to which preschoolers can relate. (i.e. separation, family, friendship, self-concept) Children at this age are ready for a more structured storytime. They are able to explore books independently with paper pages. Other types for this level include wordless books, repetitive books, concept & informational, folktales & fairytales, and books that depict cultural diversity. Play books such as pop-up's and lift-the-flap are very motivating but need more care.

Be sure to check with your local branch of the Pima County Public Library for other recommendations!

Place books in centers to help children make connections.

Examples:

Mouse Paint - Art Center

Angela's Airplane – Science Center

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom – Language Arts Center

Caps for Sale – Dramatic Play

Way Out In The Desert – Math Center

What A Wonderful World – Music Center

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