Early Literacy Book Recommendations

Through the Future Ready Collier Early Learning Workgroup, literacy and program leaders in our community developed a list of recommended books for children ages 0-5.

This list was developed to address significant gaps in resources and provide support in literacy for our community's youngest learners.

To learn more about Future Ready Collier or to download a copy of the book list, go to: www.FutureReadyCollier.org
**Birth Through 11 Months**

*Baby Days Collection*. . . . Little Scholastic
*Baby Faces: Smile! Eat! Splash!* . . . . Roberta Grobel Intrater
Baby Signs . . . . Joy Allen
Black on White . . . . Tana Hoban
Bright Baby First Words . . . . Roger Priddy
Cars and Trucks: From A to Z . . . . Richard Scarry
Counting Kisses: A Kiss and Read Book . . . . Karen Katz
Global Babies . . . . The Global Fund for Children
I Love My Mommy Because . . . . Laurel Porter Gaylord & Ashley Wolff
*Let's Play/Vamos a Jugar* . . . . Hideo Shirotani
Open the Barn Door . . . . Christopher Santoro
Oxenbury Board Books (All Fall Down, Clap Hands, Say Goodnight, Tickle, Tickle) . . . . Helen Oxenbury
That's How Much I Love You . . . . Julie A. Rudi
The Babies and Doggies Book . . . . John Schindel & Molly Woodward
Whose Toes Are Those? . . . . Jabari Asim

*At the Farmers Market* . . . . Scholastic
*Carry and Learn Colors/Colores* . . . . Scholastic
*Carry and Learn Numbers/Numeros* . . . . Scholastic
Dog Wants to Play . . . . Christine McDonnell
Gallop! . . . . Rufus Butler Seder
Goodnight Moon/Buenas Noches Luna . . . Margaret Wise Brown
Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes . . . . Annie Kubler
Hide and Peek . . . . Jill Ackerman
I Love My Daddy Because . . . . Laurel Porter Gaylord
*In My Neighborhood* . . . . Anna W. Bardaus
More, More, More Said the Baby . . . . Vera B. Williams
Pat the Bunny . . . . Dorothy Kunhardt
Ten, Nine, Eight . . . . Molly Bang
Who Am I? . . . . Ruchy Schon
You Are My Sunshine . . . . Caroline Jayne Church

* Bilingual Titles
Chicka Chicka Boom Boom. . . . Bill Martin Jr. & John Archambault
Brush, Brush, Brush! . . . . Alicia Padron
Feast for Ten. . . . . Cathryn Falwell
Freight Train. . . . . Donald Crews
From Head to Toe. . . . . Eric Carle
Good Night, Gorilla. . . . . Peggy Rathmann
Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site. . . . Sherri Duskey Rinker
*Have You Seen My Duckling?/Has visto a mi patito? . . Nancy Tafuri
Hop on Pop. . . . . Dr. Seuss
I Spy. . . . . Jean Marzollo
Jump, Frog, Jump!. . . . . Robert Kalan
Koala Lou. . . . . Mem Fox
Moo Ba La La La. . . . Sandra Boynton
The Going-To-Bed Book. . . . Sandra Boynton
Over in the Meadow. . . . Ezra Jack Keats
The Magic Hat. . . . . Mem Fox
This is Our Baby, Born Today. . . . Varsha Bajaj

ABCers. . . . Carole Lexa Schaefer
Are You My Mother? . . . . P. D. Eastman
*Big Dog Little Dog/Perro Grando Perro Pequeno . . . P. D. Eastman
Don’t Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!. . . . . Mo Willems
Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed. . . . Eileen Christelow
Harold and the Purple Crayon. . . . Crockett Johnson
How Do Dinosaurs Say Good Night?. . . Jane Yolen & Mark Teague
Mouse Paint. . . . Ellen Stoll Walsh
My Truck Is Stuck. . . . Kevin Lewis
National Geographic Little Kids First Big Books of Non-Fiction
Shake My Sillies Out. . . . Raffi
Sweet Dreams: How Animals Sleep. . . . Kimiko Kajikawa
*The Desert Is My Mother/Desierto Es Mi Madre. . . . Pat Mora
The Dot. . . . Peter H. Reynolds
The Mine-O-Saur. . . . Sudipta Bardhan-Quallen
The Very Hungry Caterpillar. . . . Eric Carle

* Bilingual Titles
4 YEARS THROUGH 5 YEARS

*Abyoyo. . . . Pete Seeger
*Abuela. . . . Arthur Dorros
A Chair for My Mother. . . . Vera B. Williams
A Cool Drink of Water. . . . Barbara Kerley
A Fish Out of Water. . . . Helen Palmer Geisel
Bright Eyes, Brown Skin. . . . Cheryl Willis Hudson
Brush Your Teeth, Please: A Pop-up Book. . . Leslie Mcguire
Flower Garden. . . . Eve Bunting
Growing Vegetable Soup. . . . Lois Ehlert
How to Dig a Hole to the Other Side of the World. Faith McNulty
If You Give a Mouse a Cookie. . . . Laura Joffe Numeroff
It Looked Like Spilt Milk. . . . Charles G. Shaw
Llama Llama Red Pajama. . . . Anna Dewdney
Look Out Kindergarten, Here I Come!. . . . Nancy Carlson
Mouse Mess. . . . Linnea Asplind Riley
Officer Buckle and Gloria. . . . Peggy Rathmann
Pete the Cat: The Wheels on the Bus. . . . James Dean
Stone Soup. . . . Jon J. Muth
The Cat in the Hat. . . . Dr. Seuss
The Snowy Day. . . . Ezra Jack Keats
The Three Pigs. . . . David Wiesner
The Tiny Seed. . . . Eric Carle
What Do People Do All Day?. . . . Richard Scarry

5 YEARS AND OLDER

A Color of His Own. . . . Leo Lionni
Bounce. . . . Doreen Cronin & Scott Menchin
Corduroy. . . . Don Freeman
Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale. . . . Mo Willems
Maybe a Bear Ate It!. . . . Robie H. Harris
My Name Is Yoon. . . . Helen Recorvits
Ocean’s Child. . . . Christine Ford & Trish Holland
Seven Blind Mice. . . . Ed Young
The Day the Crayons Quit. . . . Drew Daywalt
The Gruffalo. . . . Julia Donaldson
The Kissing Hand. . . . Audrey Penn
The Mitten. . . . Jan Brett
The Napping House. . . . Audrey Wood
*The True Story of the Three Little Pigs/La verdadera historia de los tres cerditos!. . . . Jon Scieszka
Wemberly Worried. . . . Kevin Henkes
Where the Wild Things Are. . . . Maurice Sendak
Whistle For Willie. . . . Ezra Jack Keats

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