We have many books for you and your child to read on your journey of 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten. And sometimes, that can seem a little intimidating. That's why we created the following suggested reading list. Have fun and enjoy a book or two together!

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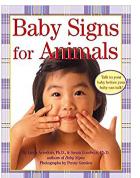


Each car on the train has one more zoo animal than the one before, from the first car with and elephant to the last with ten birds.

If Animals Kissed Good Night Ann Whitford Paul

Rhyming text explores what would happen if animals kissed like humans do, from a slow kiss between a sloth and her cub to a mud-happy kiss from a hippo calf to his father.





BB Baby Signs for Animals Linda Acredolo

Babies have a lot to say, even before they can actually speak familiar animal names like "dog" and "bunny". Baby Signs are simple gestures that allow babies and toddlers to communicate what they see, what they need, and how they feel.

Charlie the Ranch Dog Ree Drummond

He's a ranch dog. Breakfast is his life, especially when bacon is involved. Charlie has dangly ears, floppy skin, and big fat paws. And he loves living in the country. That's because he works like a dog...fixing fences, gardening, and helping his family out on the ranch.



Don't Slam the Door! Dori Chaconas



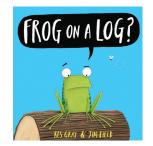
A slamming door may not seem like a big deal, but in this escalating tale, it can have far-reaching (and very funny) consequences - including a limping, yelping Pa; a scared, beestung bear, and a whole house plunged in pandemonium!

Don't Take Your Snake for a Stroll Karin Ireland

What would happened if your moose wanted to go to the movies? What if your rhino begged to go dancing? What if your pig pleaded to shop? Say "NO!"



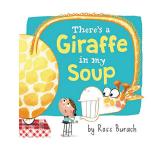
Frog on a Log Kes Gray



Each animal's designated seat rhymes with that animal's name. The frog doesn't want to sit on a log. Doing his best to find a n alternative place to sit, the frog asks the cat a litany of questions. For every answer the cat has, the frog has another question--until the frog finds out what the dog sits on!

There's a Giraffe in My Soup Ross Burach

What if you find a giraffe in your soup, an alligator in your entree, an elephant on the table, or even an ostrich in your dish?



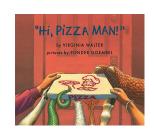
The Grumpy Pets Kristine A. Lombardi



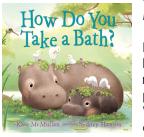
Billy's not like the other kids. He's a bit moody, a bit cranky, a bit...grumpy. In hopes of cheering him up, his mom takes him and his sister at the animal rescue one Saturday. All the animals are cute and playful, but they're a little too happy for Billy's taste. When he catches the eye of a particularly grumpy pup-could this be his new friend?

Hi, Pizza Man Virginia Walter

It all begins with a simple question posed by a patient mother when her impatient toddler shouts, "I'm hungry!" "What will you say when the doorbell rings and we open the door?" asks Mom. "Hi, Pizza Man!", replies the thoughtful child...But what if it's a pizza woman? a pizza kitty?



How Do You Take a Bath Kate McMullan

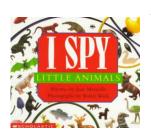


Follow elephants, pigs, monkeys, hippos, and more in this charming rhyming picture book. How does a pig take a bath? It sinks in the mud! What about a chicken? It thrashes about in the dust!

I Love You Stinky Face Lisa McCort

A mother and child discuss how the mother's love would remain constant even if her child were a smelly skunk, scary ape, or bug-eating green alien.





BB I Spy Little Animals Jean Marzollo

Preschoolers can search for animals galore, as well as other intriguing toys and trinkets! Picture clues and rhyming riddles guide the youngest readers through delightful puzzles.

Morning, Noon, and Night Jean Craighead George

Newbery Medalist Jean Craighead George's lyric greeting to the day celebrates how the earth turns to and then away from the sun. Starting at dawn on the East Coast, then moving to the afternoon in the Midwest, and finally evening on the West Coast. Young readers will meet a variety of animals at work, rest, and play as the day progresses across America.



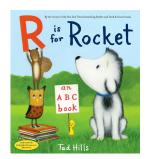
BB Pet Matthew VanFleet

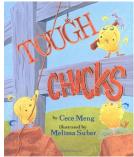


Children will delight in this interactive introduction to an incredible assortment of pets, from guinea pigs and rabbits to pot-bellied pigs, reptiles, fish, and more!

R is for Rocket: An ABC Book Tad Hills

From finding acorns, to balancing on a ball, to offering a cookie and a crayon to a crow, readers will love exploring the wonderful world of Rocket and his friends.



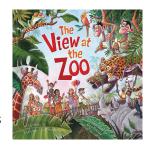


Tough Chicks Cece Meng

From the moment Penny, Polly, and Molly hatch from their eggs, the whole farm knows they are truly tough chicks. They wrestle worms, rope roosters, and are often found under the hood of the tractor. All the other animals and even the farmer himself tell Mama Hen to make her chicks good. "They are good!" Mama Hen replies. But her chicks are different, in a good way.

The View at the Zoo Kathleen Long Bostrom

As morning dawns, the zookeeper makes his rounds, exhorting the animals to wake up, comb their hair, and stand up straight. When the human visitors arrive, the observations begin to flow.



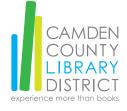


BB You Are My Baby: Farm Lorena Siminovich

Turn the pages of the little book nestled inside the bigger one to match the baby animals to their parents, and learn some early concepts along the way.



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