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O	Label objects in your child's room.	Create a place to display your child's pictures.	Read a poem or rhyme.	Dance to music with your child.	Read a book and have your child point out the pictures.	As you go around the community, point out things you see.	Pick out three books, and let your child select one to read.
O	Create a book of things that are important to your child.	Sing a song and put your own actions to it.	Provide your child with blocks or empty boxes to play with.	Using a wordless picture book, ask your child questions about it.	Play Peek-a-Boo with your child.	Create an area where your child can draw and play.	Read anything with your child while he or she snuggles with a favorite toy.
K	Draw or color with your child.	Play Simon Says.	Visit the library and read a library book together.	Read the same book again, this time adding silly voices.	Do a finger play with your child.	Read a story at bedtime.	Make up a rhyme using your child's name.

**Do these activities with your child when he or she is 18 months to 3 years old to help your child develop reading skills.**

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