



1,000 Books Before KINDERGARTEN

Cañon City Public Library

Books 1-100

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GETTING READY TO READ - "The single most important activity for building the knowledge required for eventual success in reading is reading aloud to children. This is especially so during the preschool years." From *Becoming a Nation of Readers*.

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Make book sharing time a special time for closeness with your child.

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Reading Activity for Babies - It is natural for babies to chew on books. Putting things in their mouths is one way to explore. Choose books for baby that are sturdy, made of cardboard, cloth, or plastic. As you gently pull the book from the baby's mouth, show him the pictures.

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Toddler Reading Activity - Use words to describe feelings, both yours and his. Try this song: "If you're happy and you know it, give a smile! (repeat). If you're happy and you know it, then your face will surely show it. If you're happy and you know it, give a smile." "If you're angry . . . , give a frown." "If you're sleepy . . . , close your eyes." "If you're shy . . . , turn your head" and so on.

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You can help your child learn the alphabet by playing with different shapes, reading alphabet books, and talking about the letters in your child's first name.

Keep up the great work! Don't forget to bring in your log to get a prize and your next set of pages.



Library Programs



1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is designed to develop and encourage good reading habits in children from birth to kindergarten and their parents and/or caregivers. This program encourages parents to read to their children and develop the six early literacy skills promoted by ALA's program, *Every Child Ready to Read*.

Although reading 1000 books may sound impossible, if you and your child read only 3 books a day, you will complete this goal in less than one year!

Children already in school can participate in the program by becoming a "Reading Superhero" for a younger reader. Reading Superheroes who read 100 books to a younger child enrolled in "1000 Books Before Kindergarten" will also receive a small prize (limit one prize per reading log)

Nothing is better than going to the library with a child and watching them stack high the books of their choosing to take home to read with someone they care about! The doors are open to new lands, imaginations awaken, and most importantly skills are sharpened in those precious time of reading.

For more information on "1000 Books Before Kindergarten" contact The Cañon City Public Library at 719-269-9020

Storytime

monday - Babies on our knees

10:30 a.m.

Tuesday

Thursday

Saturday

10:30 a.m.



My favorite book is: _____