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STROLLER COASTER —

**A wild learning ride for babies,
toddlers and preschoolers!**

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written & illustrated by VH
Little Dreamers: Visionary Women Around the World

Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History

Little Legends: Exceptional Men in Black History

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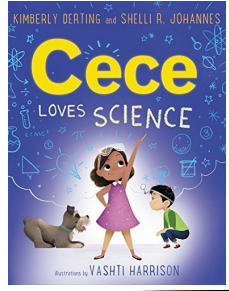
Festival of Colors
by Kabir Sehgal & Surishtha Sehgal

Hair Love
by Matthew A. Cherry

Sulwe
by Lupita Nyong'o

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LITERACY BEGINS AT BIRTH!

Singing is important because it slows language down. This helps children hear individual sounds in words. The rhythm of the music also helps prepare children to hear the rhythm of reading.

Singing Tips

- Sing the alphabet song together, then encourage your child to sing it alone.
- Clap out the syllables as you sing a song together.
- Invite your child to make up his own words to a familiar tune.
- Invite your child to put on a concert for you using her hairbrush as a microphone.

All A-BOARD for Books!

Expand your reading repertoire with these diverse board books.

A Is for All the Things You Are
by Anna Forgeson Hindley

All Kinds of People
by Shelley Rottner

Alphabet Family Band
by Sarah Jones

Antiracist Baby
by Ibram X. Kendi

Baby Loves Aerospace Engineering!
by Ruth Spiro

Baby Talk
by Stella Blackstone

Baby's First Words
by Stella Blackstone

Besos for Baby: A Little Book of Kisses
by Jen Arena

Girl of Mine
by Jabari Asim

Hush a Bye, Baby
by Alyssa Satin Capucilli

Little You
by Richard Van Camp

Love Is a Truck
by Amy Novesky

Making Faces: A First Book of Emotions
by Molly Magnuson

Music Is . . .
by Brandon Stosuy

My Hair
by Danielle Murrell Cox

My Heart Fills with Happiness
by Monique Gray Smith

Once Upon a World: Rapunzel
by Chloe Perkins

Peekaboo Morning
by Rachel Isadora

Pride Colors
by Robin Stevenson

Rosa Loves Cars
by Jessica Spanyol

The Snowy Day
by Ezra Jack Keats

Ten, Nine, Eight
by Molly Bang

This Little Trailblazer: A Girl Power Primer
by Joan Holub

Whose Knees Are These?
by Jabari Asim

Whose Toes Are Those?
by Jabari Asim



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Rhyme Time

Big yellow moon shines so bright,
Glides across the starry night.
Looks down on me, asleep in bed,
Whispers, "Good night, sleepyhead."
Big yellow moon, your turn is done.
Here comes Mr. Morning Sun.
I wake up. You go to bed.
"Sleep well, Moon, you sleepyhead."

Rhyme Time Tip: Use your arms overhead to mimic the movement of the moon and sun. Press a quiet finger to your lips during the whispering parts.

If you see the color purple, point it out.
If you see the color purple, point it out.
Stand and wiggle, give a shout!
Purple's great without a doubt!
If you see the color purple, point it out.

Rhyme Time Tip: Sing to the tune "If You're Happy & You Know It". Repeat with as many colors as you can see and name.

Tiny Tunes Playlist

Music matters! Young children respond best to music when they actively participate in music, rather than listen passively. So dance with your little ones! Show them how to move to a slow-moving beat and a fast-moving beat. This will help them develop listening skills and learn about tempo. Jim Gill's music makes it easy to dance along. Most of the songs tell you exactly how to move your body! And he introduces kids to a variety of fun musical styles. Find his albums in the PERFORMER section of the library's Kid Zone music collection.

Jim Gill Makes It Noisy in Boise, Idaho
Jim Gill Presents Music Play for Folks of All Stripes
Jim Gill Sings Do Re Mi on His Toe Leg Knee
Jim Gill Sings Moving Rhymes for Modern Times
Jim Gill Sings The Sneezing Song and Other Contagious Tunes
Jim Gill's Irrational Anthem and More Salutes to Nonsense
Jim Gill's Most Celebrated Songs 1
Jim Gill's Most Celebrated Songs 2
Jim Gill's Most Celebrated Songs 3
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