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## **Reading with Toddlers**

How do we turn books into friends? Reading from a young age contributes greatly to toddlers' development. We suggest starting slowly, gradually, and age-appropriately: Some toddlers will want to touch the book, open and close it, or even "taste" it. You can then read a little, patiently and enjoyably. You can start by reading one page, and, as you get used to it, add more pages, until, hey – books have become friends!



## ${\it Reading together-Good Morning}$

While reading, you can emphasize the words good morning using a special voice and welcoming gesture. Invite toddlers to join in, follow the story, and take an active part in the reading. You can create your own good morning greetings: "Good morning kitchen chair!" "Good morning tree on our street!", "Good morning, Bobby the dog!"





## Observing the world

For toddlers, everything can be a teachable moment. Time spent together going to or from daycare provides an opportunity to observe what attracts toddlers' attention: Is it ants walking in a row? A large truck? Or perhaps a flock of birds?





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