SEEDS for Story Time

Take a look at these books and easy-to-use guides that feature fun and interesting books with ideas for hands on activities. Below are the links to the SEEDS for Story Time resources to use with books you may have at home!

Infant Toddler Books:

Calm Down Time
By: Elizabeth Verdick
Through rhythmic text and warm illustrations, this gentle, reassuring book offers toddlers simple tools to release strong feelings, express them, and calm themselves down. Children learn to use their calm-down place—a quiet space where they can cry, ask for a hug, sing to themselves, be rocked in a grown-up’s arms, talk about feelings, and breathe. After a break, toddlers will feel like new—and adults will, too.

Gossie and Gertie
By: Olivier Dunrea
Gossie and Gertie are best friends. They splash in the rain, play hide-and-seek, and they dive in the pond together. Everywhere Gossie goes, Gertie does too. Or does she?

How Does Baby Feel
By Karen Katz
Baby wants milk and crackers. How does Baby feel? Hungry! There are so many feelings that Baby can have! Little ones can lift the flaps to find Baby experiencing a range of emotions. This gem from Karen Katz is sure to become a favorite among teachers, children, and families
Owl Babies

By: Martin Waddell and Patrick Benson

Three baby owls awake one night to find their mother gone, and they can’t help but wonder where she is. What is she doing? When will she be back? Stunning illustrations from striking perspectives capture the anxious little owls as they worry. Never has the plight of young ones who miss their mother been so simply told or so beautifully rendered.

Preschool Books:

Behind the Little Red Door

By: Coy Boyles

Three friends set out to discover what’s behind the little red door. This book encourages children to use their creativity and imagination to determine what’s behind the little red door. Children will be transported through the door with whimsical text and clever illustrations.

How the Crayons Saved the Rainbow

By: Monica Sweeney

How the Crayons Saved the Rainbow teaches the importance of teamwork and perseverance through seven crayons with unique personalities and their desire to see the world in color. The Sun and the Clouds are best friends. Together they keep the world warm, the gardens growing, and the sky full of beautiful rainbows. But one day they get into a fight and refuse to be in the sky together. And that means there are no longer any rainbows.
Knuffle Bunny
By: Mo Willems
Trixie, Daddy, and Knuffle Bunny take a trip to the neighborhood laundromat. But the exciting adventure takes a dramatic turn when Trixie realizes somebunny was left behind. Using a combination of muted black and white photographs and expressive illustrations, this stunning book tells a brilliantly true to life tale about what happens when Daddy's in charge and things go terribly, hilariously wrong.

Pout Pout Fish
By Deborah Diesen
Swim along with the pout-pout fish as he discovers that being glum and spreading "dreary wearies" isn't really his destiny. Bright ocean colors and playful rhyme come together in Deborah Diesen's fun fish story that's sure to turn even the poutiest of frowns upside down. Will the other fish be able to cheer him up?