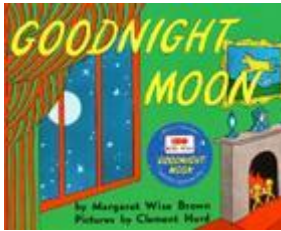


[Our Favorite Books for Babies at the HERJC Nursery School](#)

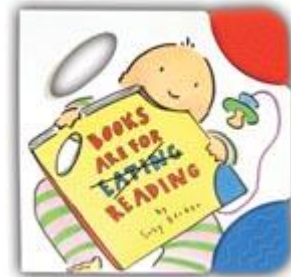
Many of our families have asked us for a list of our very favorite board books. There are *so many* great ones that it is hard to come up with a short list, but this is our list of some of the very best, from board versions of Margaret Wise Brown classics to the totally modern and cool Urban Babies series, these books are guaranteed to delight parents and their babies and toddlers. Enjoy!



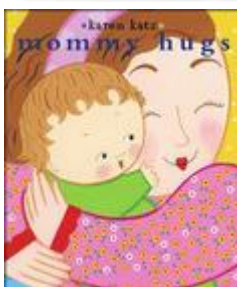
[Runaway Bunny](#) board book by Margaret Wise Brown. Illustrator Clement Hurd redrew some of his pictures for this new board book edition of the classic story of a baby bunny whose loving mother promises to find him no matter where he wanders.



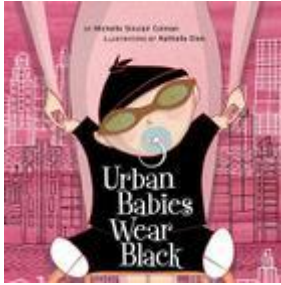
[Goodnight Moon](#) board book by Margaret Wise Brown. This children's classic is now available in board book form. The combination of gentle good night rhymes and illustrations of a child's room, filled with familiar objects such as a rocking chair, a brush, clocks and socks and kittens, help even the most sleep averse baby get ready for bedtime. This book is also [available in Spanish](#).



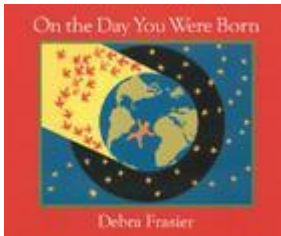
[Books are for Eating Reading](#) by Suzy Becker. This is my very favorite board book! We found this book in May 2009, when our granddaughter was 8 months old and eating everything in sight (including her books)! Every parent of a 6 month old who sees this book loves it!! And so do the 6 month old (it's delicious)! The red and blue corners are chewable!



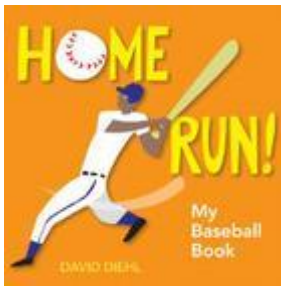
[Mommy Hugs](#) by Karen Katz. Mom and baby can cuddle and count as they read about baby's day of fun, starting with one nuzzle-wuzzle wake-up hug and ending with ten of love you good night hugs. This book is delightfully illustrated with Katz's classic round headed characters. I can guarantee that Dad will want to buy [Daddy Hugs](#) too!



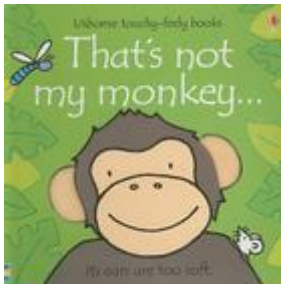
[Urban Babies Wear Black](#) by Michelle Sinclair Coleman. This is the first in a very clever series of board books that are perfect for yuppie parents with a sense of humor. The books are very modern, tongue-in-cheek, and self-deprecating. If you like this one, you will love [Foodie Babies Wear Bibs](#), [Rocker Babies Wear Jeans](#), and [more!](#)



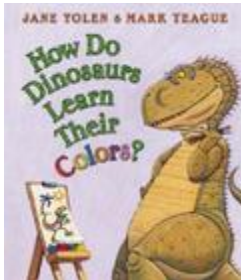
[On The Day You Were Born](#) by Debra Frasier has sold over 1 million copies. This book helps baby understand how each of us is received by our family and by the world. The simple pictures, reminiscent of Matisse, helped win the book a Parents' Choice Award. For babies born in the evening, there is also [On the Night You Were Born](#) by Nancy Tilman, which celebrates the uniqueness of being a newborn. These books are wonderful gifts for newborns.



[Home Run! My Baseball Book](#) by David Diehl. We searched for this series of board books because many parents wanted to buy baby's first sports books. Diehl's pictures convey the spirit of baseball, from a batter hitting a home run to a pitcher winding up for a strike. There is also [Slam Dunk](#), [Touch Down](#), [Goal](#) and a [Sports ABC](#) board book.



[That's Not My Monkey](#) by Fiona Watt and Rachel Wells is part of the very popular Usborne Touchy Feely Board Book series that includes a number of similar books, like [That's Not My Tractor](#), [That's Not my Kitten](#), [That's Not my Dinosaur](#), [That's Not my Princess](#), etc. These are wonderful touch and feel books, with a tiny mouse on each page that toddlers love to find.



[How Do Dinosaurs Learn Their Colors?](#) By Jane Yolen and Mark Teague is part of another great series for little ones who love dinosaurs (and who doesn't?). This book focuses on colors and is packed with pictures of dinosaurs drawing, painting and playing, and it is also [available in Spanish](#). There are other, longer picture books like [How Do Dinosaurs Say I Love You?](#) and [How Do Dinosaurs Say Good Night?](#)



The Pigeon Loves Things That Go! By Mo Willems is a book about a pigeon that emotes about driving a plane, a train, a car and more. If you haven't read Willems's books yet, you will! He's the Dr. Seuss to this generation of children. (We also sell the plush pigeon who yells "Let me drive the bus!" in our store).